

## Hainan Just in Time for China's 1st Free May Day

*This is the first of several exclusive dispatches on how the people of many lands are preparing for the Mid-Century May Day. Articles from France, Italy, Africa, the Soviet Union, Argentina, will appear in the special May Day issue next weekend and in the Daily Worker this week.*

By Cable to Daily Worker

PEKING, April 23.—The news from Hainan is making this first May Day since the People's Republic was established an occasion for special celebration. Last year at this time the People's Liberation Army crossed the Yangtse. Now the whole mainland is free from slavery and oppression and the workers have come forward as the leading class.

The Chinese People's Government is performing great feats in repairing war damage, stabilizing prices and economy, harnessing rivers, eliminating flood, drought and food shortages. The workers are redoubling their efforts in support of the army for completing the liberation of Hainan, the Choushan islands, Taiwan (Formosa) and Tibet.

A new workers' palace of culture will open May 1st in the former imperial palace of Peking—with an open air theater, club rooms, game rooms, playing fields, etc. There will be celebrations at factories and institutions, special editions of newspapers, special radio programs for May Day. There's a radio competition for the best folk-song ballads composed by workers.

Workers' theater groups, choirs, bands, Yangko and drum dance teams are rehearsing. Peking movies will charge half prices on May Day and bookshops will have sales.

Peace committees are being established in many cities on May Day. Production competition is under way for honors to be awarded on May Day to factories and labor heroes.

A new movement is spreading among railway workers to achieve higher efficiency and service. Over 8,000 kilometers (5,000 miles) of railway lines have been reconstructed in the past year, including 3,000 kilometers (1,875 miles) of new lines.

### PERFECT RUNS

The Manchuria railway network is honoring its labor heroes May 1st. Linkow railway workers near Harbin whose 17 locomotives completed a million kilometers (625,000 miles) of perfect runs, have adopted further stiff May Day targets.

The Shanghai Steel Co. topped its highest steel ingot output in honor of May Day. Challenges have been exchanged between Army production units, industries, plants and individuals.

One somber note reminds workers that the war is still on and many difficulties still remain. Workers are subscribing a day's wages for the relief of 150,000 Shanghai unemployed, a legacy of the criminal rule of the imperialists and Kuomintang. Colonial type industry and commerce in Shanghai, parasitic trades, inflation and speculation are causing transitional unemployment as healthy industry and economy are developed and prices stabilized.

The All China Federation of Labor is confident that by Autumn this problem will be overcome as it was in Manchuria where there is now a labor shortage and purchasing power is greatly increased by land reform.

### MAY DAY BOOTS FOR N. Y. SHOE WORKERS



In preparation for the May Day Parade for Peace, Monday, May 1, the shoe workers, who will have a large contingent, will march behind this float, which shows a shoe worker in seven-league boots thrusting the warmongers and Taft-Hartley out of the way.

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## Why Doesn't Acheson Answer Senator Cain?

Secretary of State Dean Acheson has made half a dozen speeches and statements since last Thursday—but not one of them has even referred to the questions Sen. Harry P. Cain asked him last Thursday about the U. S. plane missing in the Baltic. What was the plane's destination, asked the reactionary Senator, who faces a hard fight for reelection. This was a tough one for Acheson because the Navy had one story—that the plane was on a flight from Wiesbaden, Germany, to Copenhagen, Denmark—and the State Department note to the USSR had another—that it was on a "flight over the Baltic."

The Senator also asked whether the U. S. military men on the plane had clearance for flying over foreign territory, and what was its location when fired upon.

Evidence that the plane which flew over Soviet territory was on a photographic reconnaissance mission, and that many such missions have been flown recently, came in a statement by Kenneth De Courcy, editor of *Intelligence Digest*, a British publication. On his arrival here April 15, the *New York Herald Tribune* of April 16 reported:

"Russia had secret installations on the Baltic, he said, which the Soviet Government was determined to protect from high altitude photography at all costs and this might be the explanation of the disappearance of an American Navy plane in that region."

## Chinese Liberate Capital of Hainan

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# People's Army Frees Hainan Capital

HONG KONG, April 23.—The Chinese People's Liberation Army today captured Hoihow, capital of Hainan Island, and drove rapidly southward against crumbling resistance. Reports from Canton said the liberation armies were fanning out in three directions from their beachheads on the north coast.

## CONVICTED OF SPYING FOR U.S.



DAGMAR KACEROCKA and LUBOMIR ELSNER, employees of the U. S. Embassy press section in Prague, are shown at the trial in which they were found guilty of espionage against the people's democratic government of Czechoslovakia.

## 2 Steel Locals Elect Progressive Delegates

INDIANA HARBOR, Ind., April 23.—Members of two locals of the United Steelworkers here voted overwhelmingly for progressive delegations to the union's forthcoming convention, defeating candidates of the Philip Murray machine.

In Youngstown Sheet and Tube Local 1011 progressives swept the election, electing all 13 delegates by a two to one margin. At Inland Steel Local 1010 progressives won nine of 13 places for the convention, scheduled to open in Atlantic City, May 9. Local 1010 has 16,000 members and Local 1011 has 7,000.

In the Youngstown local a fight had been carried on against the machine with the membership forcing it to have a delegation of 13, instead of the six the machine wanted to send. With more than half the membership voting, the local's president, Combs, ran 15th in the poll.

At a meeting the day before the votes were counted, Local 1011 adopted 32 convention resolutions, among them several calling for outlawing the atom bomb, against the Mundt Bill, for trade with China, for a substantial wage increase, for membership votes on strikes and contracts, elimination of the contract's no-strike clause, for a Negro vice president of the union and for abolition of lily white departments.

At the Inland local meeting resolutions adopted included one for a Negro vice president, a substantial wage increase, for the Powell FEPC bill and against any change in work loads, tonnage and incentive rates without the approval of the workers concerned.

## Continue Probe of McCarthy Victims

WASHINGTON, April 23.—Sen. Millard E. Tydings (D-Md) said in a broadcast today that his Senate Foreign Relations Subcommittee was secretly continuing its investigation of the "Communist" charges made by Sen. Joseph McCarthy (R-Wis) against the Truman Administration.

While Tydings would not reveal what the investigation was going into, subcommittee counsel Edward P. Morgan said that the probes are working on the so-called "Amerasia" case, which blew up several years ago.

## Green Asks Probe of Post Office Cut

WASHINGTON, April 23.—AFL president William Green called today for a congressional investigation of what he termed postmaster General Jesse M. Donaldson's "penny-pinching" order cutting postal service.

Green said the order will "cripple" the postal service, hurt business and lead to more unemployment. While issued "in the name of economy," he said, "it will cost the American people many millions of dollars."

Samuel Finkelstein, president of Local 20 of the United Public Workers, yesterday protested the cutting of postal services in letters to President Truman, Postmaster Donaldson and members of Congress.

## Point of Order By ALAN MAX

The Soviet Union insists on the possibility of co-existence of capitalism and socialism. Our State Department also expresses its faith in co-existence—of capitalism and colonialism.

One column drove northeast and captured Hoihow without a fight, the reports said. Chiang Kai-shek's troops fled and by late Sunday the city was reported returning to normal.

A second column pushed south-east toward Tingan, 25 miles south of Hoihow, and the third, driving due south from the Linkao beachhead, already has captured the Chialai headquarters of the Kuomintang 64th Army—again without firing a shot.

## SEIZE 2 COMMANDERS

The third column also seized two regimental commanders, the reports said.

All three objectives are important communication points giving the Chinese government control of the network of roads on the entire northern part of the island.

Tingan was headquarters for the anti-guerilla operations in the mountainous interior of the island. The Liberation Army already had linked up with the guerillas, making a force of at least 30,000 men.

The New China News Agency reported that the liberators had advanced 35 miles into Hainan at one point, moving toward the guerilla-held town of Paisha, south of Linkao.

## RAPID ADVANCE

The rapid advance gave the People's Government control of most of Hainan's defenses, which had been concentrated at the northern end of the island, and opened Hainan Strait to new shipments of men and supplies.

A telephone message from Hoihow said liberation troops entered the city early today without fighting. Telephone and radio contact between Hainan and Hong Kong were broken temporarily, but late Sunday they had been restored and Hoihow was reported rapidly returning to normal.

## Wallace Backs Trygve Lie Bid For Big 4 Talks

Henry A. Wallace in a radio broadcast Saturday called for support of the Trygve Lie plan for continuous top-level negotiations between the great powers to end the threat of war.

Expressing the hope that the Baltic plane incident should not be a forerunner of a Third World War, Wallace said the main problem in the world today was "to mobilize the tremendous peace sentiment of the world for effective action through a stronger UN."

He called UN Secretary-General Lie's plan, offered several weeks

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## Cost of Atlantic Pact: 20 Billion a Year For Arms Budget

The Atlantic Pact countries are spending nearly 20 billion dollars a year on armaments, a United Press survey in London disclosed yesterday. The United States government is spending 75 percent of this total and leads the world in per capita military expenditures. All the Atlantic Pact nations are now increasing their war budgets.

The war expenditure figures cited in the survey do not include the Marshall Plan, hydrogen bomb expenditures and additional billions directed toward war and the Wall Street drive for world domination. The survey adds that these totals are only the beginning of the Atlantic Alliance expenditures for its war plans against the USSR and the new democracies.

A survey of the current budgets for the Atlantic Pact nations shows:

Total government expenses, \$66,719,000,000.

Total budgeted for war, \$17,881,000,000.

America's military aid program, \$1,000,000,000.

United States military budget, \$13,100,000,000.

Even in these days of astronomical figures, \$20 billion for war amounts to more than \$50 a year for every man, woman and child under the Atlantic Pact. It's as much as the United States government spent for everything from 1789 until after 1900; it's about half the total cost of World War I, including pensions, to American taxpayers; it's twice as much as the overall British government budget for this year.

## UNPRECEDENTED

These military costs are not only colossal but unprecedented for peacetime. Before the last war, America's military budgets were one-fortieth as big. Today they tower over the combined military budgets of all the countries of western Europe.

The \$1,000,000 budgeted by the

United States government for its military aid program is only a start—as the plan of the military chiefs is implemented.

The United Press survey of Atlantic Pact defense expenditures today disclosed the following facts:

- The United States government is spending 30.4 percent of its total budget on its own military establishment—not counting the \$1,000,000,000 it is spending on arms for western Europe, or the Marshall Plan or H-bomb money.

- Holland, because of her heavy colonial involvement, spends 25.4 percent of her budget on arms. She is second on the list. Portugal, Britain, Italy and France are next, in that order. France also has heavy colonial military expenditures in Indo-China.

## U. S. HEADS LIST

- The United States heads the list of nations in per capita expenditures on war. The U. S. spends \$87.33 a year for every man, woman and child. Britain's per capita outlay is next at \$43.74; France third at \$28.60; Canada fourth at \$27.43, and Holland fifth at \$22.40. The others range from \$5.05 per person in Portugal to \$19.30 in Belgium.

- More than one quarter—26.80 percent—of all money spent by 11 of the 12 pact countries (Iceland has no military establishment) goes for armaments.

- Despite these record peacetime arms expenses, the costs are increasing. The new British budget calls for an increase of almost \$58,800,000 for this fiscal year. All of Britain's previous postwar budgets had shown a decrease for defense.

## Mexico Notables Hit U.S. Aggression

By A. B. Magil

[The Daily Worker is proud to announce that A. B. Magil is correspondent for the Daily Worker and Worker in Mexico. Magil covered the Palestine liberation war for this paper. He is the author of the forthcoming book, "Israel in Crisis."]

MEXICO CITY, April 23.—A sensation has been created here by the publication of a declaration by a group of close co-workers of former President Lazaro Cardenas, denouncing the aggression of foreign imperialists against Latin America and the campaign being waged against the progressive forces of this country.

The document, which appeared as a full-page advertisement in the

morning papers and was published as the leading page-one story in El Popular, progressive daily, mentions no names and speaks in veiled language, but its meaning is clear. The 25 signers were all cabinet members or other high officials in the Cardenas Administration from 1934 to 1940.

## SIGNERS

Signers include J. Melquiades Angulo, former Secretary of Communications and Public Works; Silvano Barba Gonzalez, former Secretary of Agriculture, Efraim Buenrostro, former Secretary of National Economy; Prof. Luis Chavez Orozco, ex-head of the Department of Indian Affairs; Luis C. Garcia, former Attorney General; Ignacio Garcia Tel-

lez, ex-Secretary of the Interior; Agustin Lenero, former private secretary to the President; Narciso Bassols, former Secretary of Education and ex-Secretary of the Interior; Gen. Heriberto Jara, former Secretary of the Navy; Gen. Alfredo Lamont, ex-Inspector General of Police; Gen. Francisco J. Mugica, former Secretary of Communications and Public Works; Gen. Jose Nunez, ex-Inspector General of Police; Eduardo Suarez, former Secretary of the Treasury; Dr. Jose Siurob, former head of the Department of Health.

Of these, Gen. Mugica and Garcia Tellez are particularly close to Cardenas. Gen. Mugica is one of the great figures of the Mexican

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## CHARLES H. HOUSTON DIES; FAMOUS NEGRO ATTORNEY

Daily Worker Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, April 23.—Charles H. Houston, prominent Negro attorney and one of America's greatest authorities on constitutional law, died here Saturday at the Freedmans Hospital. He had been ill of a heart ailment since last October. He was 54.

A vice president of the National Lawyers Guild, Houston was widely known for his leadership of legal battles for civil rights. In May, 1948, he won one of his greatest fights when he secured a unanimous Supreme Court decision holding restrictive racial covenants unenforceable.

As attorney for Henry Winston and Irving Potash, Houston last filed with the Supreme Court a petition to void the Foley Square indictments because of the illegal methods by which the grand jury was picked.

Houston was a sponsor of the National Committee to defeat the Mundt Bill and had often spoken against this dangerous legislation.

For many years he had been a member of the legal staff of the National Association for Advancement of Colored People, and general counsel for the Association of Colored Railway Trainmen and the International Association of Railway Employees.

In 1941, he was named by President Roosevelt as a member of the wartime Fair Employment Practices Committee. In 1945, after FDR's death, Houston resigned in protest against President Truman's intervention to prevent FEPC action against the Capital Transit Co.

A native of Washington, Houston was a graduate of Amherst College and Harvard Law School and spent a year abroad at the University of Madrid as winner of the Sheldon fellowship. From 1929



CHARLES HOUSTON  
Dies at 54.

to 1835, he was vice-dean of Howard University Law School. He is survived by his father, Judge William Houston, by his wife and a son.

# Capital Battle Opens To Save Rent Control

WASHINGTON, April 23.—The fight for the life of Federal rent control will get under way here tomorrow as the Senate Banking and Currency Committee opens its hearings on renewing present controls. Scheduled to open the hearings is Housing Expediter-Tight Woods. While President Truman in a weekend message to Congress asked extension of controls for another year, it was anticipated that the landlord lobby would make a powerful fight to end all controls to clear the way for rapid boosts all over the nation. Signs were that the landlords had strong support in Congress, both on the Republican side and among a sizable bloc of Administration Democrats.

## 3500 Top Methodist Women Hit Mundt Bill

CLEVELAND, O., April 23.—Thirty-five hundred delegates attending the annual gathering of the Women's Society of the Methodist Church unanimously approved a resolution declaring "unalterable opposition" to the Mundt Bill.

The resolution will be circulated throughout Methodist churches. It asserts that the Mundt legislation constitutes a "violation of the basic rights of freedom of speech and conscience."

This is the most important

gathering in 1950 of Methodist women and was being held in conjunction with the Council of Bishops meeting here.

The women's unit adopted another resolution calling upon the General Conference of the Methodist church to rid itself of "the sin of segregation."

Rep. Philip J. Philbin (D-Mass.) had added his name to the growing list of Mundt-Nixon bill opponents.

In a letter to Jerry J. O'Connell, former Congressman and chairman of the National Committee to defeat the Mundt Bill, he declared:

"I am vigorously opposed to the principles presently contained in the Mundt-Nixon Bill. I am opposed to all legislation of this character which seeks by governmental decree to strip free American citizens of their rights under the Constitution."

Rep. Philbin's letter was in reply to a letter from O'Donnell forwarding the names of 146 leading citizens in Massachusetts who denounced the Mundt-Nixon bill as a "dangerously far-reaching violation of our basic principles." A majority of the group were faculty members of Amherst College, the University of Massachusetts, Smith College and Mount Holyoke College.

### FARMERS OPPOSE BILL

Montana's Cascade County Civil Rights Committee reported increased opposition to the police-state measure. Joining the movement were the Montana State Farmers Union; Local 16 of the Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers; Local 57 of the AFL Retail Clerks Union and hundreds of individuals.

In Indianapolis, Chevrolet Local 23 of the United Auto Workers condemned the measure at general membership meetings of day and night shifts. Others opposing the bill were the Indiana National Association for the Advancement of Colored People; Rabbi William Greenfield; W. T. Ray, president, Indianapolis, Ind.,

commenting on the President's message, indicated he would follow a strategy of amending rent control out of existence. While he would "try to comply with the President's request," he said that he would have "to consider the temper of the House." Spence indicated he was planning to introduce a bill making changes in present weak federal controls.

The Lehman bill would set rents at the level of March 1, 1949, provide for a 20 percent maximum on any rent increases, penalize landlords who refused to accept tenants with children, permit reconrol of localities on request of localities where states had removed controls and prohibit decontrol in cities of over 500,000 unless specifically requested by the local governing body.

The President's message cited a Bureau of Labor Statistics report which revealed that decontrol in five cities resulted in rent hikes affecting from 17 to 64 percent of all rented units within two to six months after controls ended. In the five cities covered the rent increases ranged from 18 percent in Wichita, Kansas, to 41 percent in Beverly Hills, Calif.

"The largest percentage increases in rents and the largest proportion of dwellings whose rents were raised were generally in the lower rent groups," the report asserted.

## 11,000 Phone Installers Set To Strike

A nationwide strike of 11,000 telephone installers was scheduled today, two days before a strike deadline of 195,000 other telephone workers. Federal mediators were working yesterday to avert it but expressed no hope that they would succeed.

Late yesterday, Federal mediator Thomas Steutel had not even arranged meetings with the Division 6 of the CIO Communications Workers of America and the Western Electric Company.

The installers dispute began on March 27 when six installation men in South Bend, Ind., refused to walk a mile and half through a muddy field on their own time, to install equipment at a television tower. The workers went on strike and were followed by 98 other workers at South Bend and about 900 other installers in scattered locals across the nation.

Western Electric has notified its employees at South Bend that unless they return to work tomorrow, they will be fired.

William Mayo, CIO regional director for northern Indiana, said today the men definitely will not go back to work tomorrow.

CWA division six has announced it will not throw picket lines around key exchanges across the country until the strike truce ends Tuesday midnight.

## Top Court to Get Plea For Hollyw'd 10 Today

Attorneys for John Howard Lawson and Dalton Trumbo, two of the Hollywood Ten, will file a petition today (Monday) asking the U. S. Supreme Court to reverse

itself and review a lower court contempt ruling against the writers, it was announced yesterday by the National Council of the Arts, Sciences and Professions.

The Supreme Court two weeks ago refused to hear the case, which is based upon the writers' refusal

to disclose their political belief to the House Un-American Committee.

The council announced it had received a message from J. D. Bernal, British scientist, and another from 25 French scientists, academicians, artists and writers, urging the Supreme Court to review the case.

The message from Bernal expressed deep concern at the Supreme Court's action two weeks ago.

### FRENCH NOTABLES PROTEST

The message from France said: "We have just learned that 10

men, writers, directors and producers of Hollywood films, have just been sentenced to prison on the demand of the Un-American Activities Committee for having refused to reply to two questions: Do you or do you not belong to the Communist Party? Do you or do you not belong to a trade union (Screen Writers Guild)?"

"These 10 men considered such questions direct violations of the American Constitution which guarantees freedom of speech and of expression. They are to be imprisoned immediately and fined \$1,000. The undersigned Frenchmen realize the gravity of the decision which has been taken in the U. S. They understand that freedom of opinion is thus suppressed and they know from experience

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## Set Final Plans For May Day

Final plans for a gigantic May Day demonstration next Monday were adopted at a conference of 60 organizations and 130 delegates held Saturday at Webster Hall. The conference, called by the United May

Day Committee, heard reports from the participating organizations on steps taken to ensure a large turnout and a colorful parade.

Reporting on the work of the Committee, which was established at a delegates conference March 25, Louis Weinstock, executive secretary of the group, said that among the material distributed thus far were 50,000 May Day pamphlets, 50,000 buttons, 250,000 leaflets, 100,000 stickers. In addition, 50 floats have already been completed, and 500,000 leaflets are being prepared for distribution this week.

The conference, chaired by Fanny Colos, ILGWU rank-and-file leader, voted to set aside Wednesday, April 26, as a special day of mobilization for the May Day Parade. Outdoor meetings in the main industrial areas of the city will be held on that day, as well as meetings in communities and special leaflet distributions.

One of the most colorful contingents of the parade, it was reported by William Levner, director of organization for the Committee, will be the special Far Eastern contingent, composed of Chi-

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## Why Warmakers Want to Jail Dennis

By John Williamson  
National Labor Secretary,  
Communist Party

It was in July, 1946, that our national committee, upon the motion of our outstanding leader, William Z. Foster, elected Eugene Dennis as general secretary of the Communist Party. In nominating him, Foster said in part:

"The selection of a general secretary is a most important step in the life of our Party. . . . Dennis is well qualified to fill the high post for which the Board recommends him. He is a worker, born and bred in the class struggle. . . . Dennis, who has been a member of the Party for 19 years, has also had very wide Party experience. . . .

"Possessed of an extensive

knowledge of Marxism-Leninism, both in theory and practice, Comrade Dennis is a good political analyst. He is also a realistic tactician in the formulation and carrying out of Party policy."

These past four years, so crowded with historic struggle against the twin menace of war and fascism, have confirmed the high estimate of Dennis' capacities as General Secretary given to the Party by Foster.

In his everyday leadership and in his reports and speeches throughout these years he has fought for a recognition that the struggle for peace is the key issue in the life of our people and country on which a broad and powerful movement must be organized, led

## Court May Rule Today

Attorneys for Eugene Dennis said yesterday it was possible that the Supreme Court might hand down today an answer to their petition for a rehearing.

by the working class; and to expose and defeat the war-mad adventurers of Wall Street and Washington. As part of this fight he has outlined the vital need of realizing a broad anti-war, anti-monopoly peoples coalition, in the center of which would be the ur-

gently necessary Third Party movement.

INDISPENSABLE in realizing these, Dennis never tired of saying, was the leading role of labor and the establishment of a firm labor-Negro alliance.

At the December, 1946, National Committee meeting, Dennis boldly proclaimed:

"To talk of full equality for the Negro people of the South without advancing and fighting for their right to land and to the free determination of their own destiny, would be a denial of the struggle for equal rights for the Negro people. . . . It would be a negation and abandonment of the great national liberation movement of the

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# Picket Home Of Relief Boss To Hit Jailings

By Louise Mitchell

A 48-hour picket line to protest the inhumane jailing of East Side relief and unemployed leaders was started yesterday morning in the slashing rain in front of Welfare Commissioner Raymond Hilliard's home at 285 Riverside Drive.

## Writers Protest U.S. Welcome to Chile Dictator

The U. S. government's lavish welcome to Chilean dictator Gabriel Gonzalez Videla was protested yesterday in a resolution to President Truman signed by 200 writers, artists and workers in the publishing trade.

The protest was launched at a meeting sponsored Wednesday night in the Cornish Arms Hotel by the Writing and Publishing Division of the New York Council of the Arts, Sciences and Professions.

John Howard Lawson, Hollywood screen writer facing a year in prison for "contempt" of the House Un-American Committee, told the rally "this shame could not happen if it were not for betrayal of writers, artists and educators."

### LAUD NERUDA

Novelist Howard Fast, chairman of the meeting, poet Muriel Rukeyser and Fur Union leader Leon Straus paid tribute to Pablo Neruda, famed poet and former Senator of Chile, exiled from his country by dictator Videla.

The resolution to Truman charged Videla had launched a "reign of terror" in Chile and had "turned his country into a concentration camp."

Persons attending the meeting also signed resolutions:

- To the Turkish embassy demanding release from prison of Nazim Hikmet, Turkish national poet, now entering his 13th day of hunger strike.

- To the U. S. Supreme Court calling for rehearing of the Eugene Dennis and Hollywood Ten contempt of Congress cases.

## To Observe Date Of Uprising in Warsaw Ghetto

The first of a series of Brooklyn meetings to commemorate the anniversary of the Warsaw Ghetto uprising will be held tonight (Monday) at Biltmore Hall, Church and Flatbush Avenues.

Speakers will include Mrs. Irma Lindheim, Rev. Karl Chworowsky and Rabbi Joseph Paymer. Other meetings will be held throughout the week, concluding with several on Thursday.

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## WRITERS GREET MIKE GOLD



A RECEPTION FOR MIKE GOLD, working class writer just returned from Europe, brought together old friends and leading figures in the literary world Thursday night. Shown with Gold are Milton Howard, associate editor of the Daily Worker; John Howard Lawson, of the Hollywood Ten; Gold, Shirley Graham, author, and Theodore Ward, playwright. Others who greeted Gold included Howard Fast and Herbert Aptheker.

# Teachers Union Protests Move Against Its Leaders

The Teachers Union yesterday denounced the demand of Superintendent of Schools William Jansen that its leading members appear before him today for questioning on their "fitness, character and conduct" as teachers, with special "reference to alleged association with the Communist Party."

Those scheduled to appear are Abraham Lederman, president; Celia Lewis Zitron, secretary, Alice Citron, Louis Jaffe, Isadore Rubin, Mark Friedlander and Abraham Feingold. All have excellent records of teaching service ranging from 10 to 28 years.

On Thursday the Board of Education is scheduled to act on the Timone resolution which seeks to bar the Teachers Union from representing teachers in the city's school system.

Attorneys Nathan Witt and Harold Cammer, special counsel for the union, requested in a letter to Jansen that the teachers be permitted counsel at the hearing. They pointed out that they had not been given a week's notice required by the by-laws and that the charge of "association" was vague with no indication of specific charges.

The union's protest against Jansen's political witchhunt recalled his statement before a Congressional group in September, 1948, that Lederman's services were "very satisfactory" and that "none of the officers" of the union were teaching un-American doctrines.

Edwin S. Smith, executive director of the National Teachers Division of the United Public Workers,

said yesterday that the timing of the political witchhunt against the union's leaders and their appearance before Jansen "appears just too neat to be accidental." He also stressed that the inquisition comes at a time when "teachers are indignant over lack of salary increases and the attempt to increase the workload."

"Attempting a political crusade against outstanding teachers' leaders," Smith asserted, "is not the

way to raise teacher morale. The teachers' reaction will be an even greater demonstration to fight for what is due them."

The Teachers Union statement also points out that the political inquisition is an effort to divert teacher attention from their own low salaries and increased workload. It also seeks to create the "hysteria which will make easier" the passage of the Timone resolution.

## Neighbors Assail Cops At Struck Laundry

Tenants in the area surrounding the strikebound Cascade Laundry, Myrtle and Marcy Avenues, Brooklyn, have been protesting the swarms of strikebreaking mounted and foot cops who have been pushing around residents as well as strikers.

The Tenants League at the huge Marcy housing project, across the street from the plant, distributed leaflets, pointing out that for months the Police Department has been refusing requests for extra officers to direct traffic for the school children. The requests had been

repeatedly denied on the grounds that there were no additional men or funds for the area.

But since the strike broke out one week ago, the leaflet stated, "the police are here 24 hours a day to break the strike, intimidate the workers and frighten the tenants residing here."

The tenants group called for the removal of the police so that "the workers can settle their own grievances." It urged telegrams to the Mayor and calls to the newspapers protesting the strange silence over the Police Department's strikebreaking.

The strike broke out one week ago when the 1,300 workers, mostly Negro and Puerto Rican women, revolted against a substandard contract signed by the CIO Amalgamated Clothing Workers without their approval.

District 50 of the United Mine Workers then moved in to take advantage of the revolt and to sign up the laundry workers.

When ACW organizers were unable to force the workers back, Jacob Potofsky, president, and Hyman Blumberg, vice president of the ACW, appeared at City Hall to request aid from the Mayor in breaking the strike. The Mayor responded promptly, ordering the police to take "proper action" to smash the walkout.

Scabs have been supplied from other laundries, often driven to the Cascade plant, largest in the city, in police prowl cars.

The ACW has also petitioned for an injunction against all picketing, though no decision has as yet been handed down on the plea.

Meanwhile, it was learned, several workers have filed suit against the ACW, on the grounds that the workers had not authorized the check of dues and that they had never voted for the contract.

# New China Finds Vast Stores Of Goods U.S. Sent to Chiang

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Daily Worker Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, April 23.—Charles H. Houston, prominent Negro attorney and one of America's greatest authorities on constitutional law, died here Saturday at the Freedmans Hospital. He had been ill of a heart ailment since last October. He was 54.

A vice president of the National Lawyers Guild, Houston was widely known for his leadership of legal battles for civil rights. In May, 1948, he won one of his greatest fights when he secured a unanimous Supreme Court decision holding restrictive racial covenants unenforceable.

As attorney for Henry Winston and Irving Potash, Houston last filed with the Supreme Court a petition to void the Foley Square indictments because of the illegal methods by which the grand jury was picked.

Houston was a sponsor of the National Committee to defeat the Mundt Bill and had often spoken against this dangerous legislation.

For many years he had been a member of the legal staff of the National Association for Advancement of Colored People, and general counsel for the Association of Colored Railway Trainmen and the International Association of Railway Employees.

In 1944, he was named by President Roosevelt as a member of the wartime Fair Employment Practices Committee. In 1945, after FDR's death, Houston resigned in protest against President Truman's intervention to prevent FEPC action against the Capital Transit Co.

A native of Washington, Houston was a graduate of Amherst College and Harvard Law School and spent a year abroad at the University of Madrid as winner of the Sheldon fellowship. From 1929



CHARLES HOUSTON  
Dies at 54.

to 1935, he was vice-dean of Howard University Law School. He is survived by his father, Judge William Houston, by his wife and a son.

## Top Court to Get Plea For Hollyw'd 10 Today

Attorneys for John Howard Lawson and Dalton Trumbo, two of the Hollywood Ten, will file a petition today (Monday) asking the U. S. Supreme Court to reverse

itself and review a lower court contempt ruling against the writers, it was announced yesterday by the National Council of the Arts, Sciences and Professions.

The Supreme Court two weeks ago refused to hear the case, which is based upon the writers' refusal

to disclose their political belief to the House Un-American Committee.

The council announced it had received a message from J. D. Bernal, British scientist, and another from 25 French scientists, academicians, artists and writers, urging the Supreme Court to review the case.

The message from Bernal expressed deep concern at the Supreme Court's action two weeks ago.

### FRENCH NOTABLES PROTEST

The message from France said: "We have just learned that 10 men, writers, directors and producers of Hollywood films, have just been sentenced to prison on the demand of the Un-American Activities Committee for having refused to reply to two questions: Do you or do you not belong to the Communist Party? Do you or do you not belong to a trade union (Screen Writers Guild)?"

"These 10 men considered such questions direct violations of the American Constitution which guarantees freedom of speech and of expression. They are to be imprisoned immediately and fined \$1,000. The undersigned Frenchmen realize the gravity of the decision which has been taken in the U. S. They understand that freedom of opinion is thus suppressed and they know from experience

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# Capital Battle Opens To Save Rent Control

WASHINGTON, April 23.—The fight for the life of Federal rent control will get under way here tomorrow as the Senate Banking and Currency Committee opens its hearings on renewing present controls. Scheduled to open the hearings is Housing Expediter T. H. Woods.

## 3500 Top Methodist Women Hit Mundt Bill

CLEVELAND, O., April 23.—Thirty-five hundred delegates attending the annual gathering of the Women's Society of the Methodist Church unanimously approved a resolution declaring "unalterable opposition" to the Mundt Bill.

The resolution will be circulated throughout Methodist churches. It asserts that the Mundt legislation constitutes a "violation of the basic rights of freedom of speech and conscience."

This is the most important

gathering in 1950 of Methodist women and was being held in conjunction with the Council of Bishops meeting here.

The women's unit adopted another resolution calling upon the General Conference of the Methodist church to rid itself of "the sin of segregation."

Rep. Philip J. Philbin (D-Mass.) had added his name to the growing list of Mundt-Nixon bill opponents.

In a letter to Jerry J. O'Connell, former Congressman and chairman of the National Committee to defeat the Mundt Bill, he declared:

"I am vigorously opposed to the principles presently contained in the Mundt-Nixon Bill. I am opposed to all legislation of this character which seeks by governmental decree to strip free American citizens of their rights under the Constitution."

Rep. Philbin's letter was in reply to a letter from O'Donnell forwarding the names of 146 leading citizens in Massachusetts who denounced the Mundt-Nixon bill as a "dangerously far-reaching violation of our basic principles." A majority of the group were faculty members of Amherst College, the University of Massachusetts, Smith College and Mount Holyoke College.

### FARMERS OPPOSE BILL

Montana's Cascade County Civil Rights Committee reported increased opposition to the police-state measure. Joining the movement were the Montana State Farmers Union; Local 16 of the Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers; Local 57 of the AFL Retail Clerks Union and hundreds of individuals.

In Indianapolis, Chevrolet Local 23 of the United Auto Workers condemned the measure at general membership meetings of day and night shifts. Others opposing the bill were the Indiana National Association for the Advancement of Colored People; Rabbi William Greenfield; W. T. Ray, president, Indianapolis, Ind.,

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While President Truman in a weekend message to Congress asked extension of controls for another year, it was anticipated that the landlord lobby would make a powerful fight to end all controls to clear the way for rapid boosts all over the nation. Signs were that the landlords had strong support in Congress, both on the Republican side and among a sizable bloc of Administration Democrats.

Rep. Brent Spence (D-Ky), commenting on the President's message, indicated he would follow a strategy of amending rent control out of existence. While he would "try to comply with the President's request," he said that he would have "to consider the temper of the House." Spence indicated he was planning to introduce a bill making changes in present weak federal controls.

The Lehman bill would set rents at the level of March 1, 1949, provide for a 20 percent maximum on any rent increases, penalize landlords who refused to accept tenants with children, permit reconversion of localities on request of localities where states had removed controls and prohibit decontrol in cities of over 500,000 unless specifically requested by the local governing body.

The President's message cited a Bureau of Labor Statistics report which revealed that decontrol in five cities resulted in rent hikes affecting from 17 to 64 percent of all rented units within two to six months after controls ended. In the five cities covered the rent increases ranged from 18 percent in Wichita, Kansas, to 41 percent in Beverly Hills, Calif.

"The largest percentage increases in rents and the largest proportion of dwellings whose rents were raised were generally in the lower rent groups," the report asserted.

## 11,000 Phone Installers Set To Strike

A nationwide strike of 11,000 telephone installers was scheduled today, two days before a strike deadline of 195,000 other telephone workers. Federal mediators were working yesterday to avert it but expressed no hope that they would succeed.

Late yesterday, Federal mediator Thomas Steutel had not even arranged meetings with the Division 6 of the CIO Communications Workers of America and the Western Electric Company.

The installers dispute began on March 27 when six installation men in South Bend, Ind., refused to walk a mile and half through a muddy field on their own time, to install equipment at a television tower. The workers went on strike and were followed by 98 other workers at South Bend and about 900 other installers in scattered locals across the nation.

Western Electric has notified its employees at South Bend that unless they return to work tomorrow, they will be fired.

William Mayo, CIO regional director for northern Indiana, said today the men definitely will not go back to work tomorrow.

CWA division six has announced it will not throw picket lines around key exchanges across the country until the strike truce ends Tuesday midnight.

## Set Final Plans For May Day

Final plans for a gigantic May Day demonstration next Monday were adopted at a conference of 60 organizations and 130 delegates held Saturday at Webster Hall. The conference, called by the United May

Day Committee, heard reports from the participating organizations on steps taken to ensure a large turnout and a colorful parade.

Reporting on the work of the Committee, which was established at a delegates conference March 25, Louis Weinstock, executive secretary of the group, said that among the material distributed thus far were 50,000 May Day pamphlets, 50,000 buttons, 250,000 leaflets, 100,000 stickers. In addition, 50 floats have already been completed, and 500,000 leaflets are being prepared for distribution this week.

The conference, chaired by Fanny Colos, ILGWU rank-and-file leader, voted to set aside Wednesday, April 26, as a special day of mobilization for the May Day Parade. Outdoor meetings in the main industrial areas of the city will be held on that day, as well as meetings in communities and special leaflet distributions.

One of the most colorful contingents of the parade, it was reported by William Levner, director of organization for the Committee, will be the special Far Eastern contingent, composed of Chi-

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## Why Warmakers Want to Jail Dennis

By John Williamson  
National Labor Secretary,  
Communist Party

It was in July, 1946, that our national committee, upon the motion of our outstanding leader, William Z. Foster, elected Eugene Dennis as general secretary of the Communist Party. In nominating him, Foster said in part:

"The selection of a general secretary is a most important step in the life of our Party. . . . Dennis is well qualified to fill the high post for which the Board recommends him. He is a worker, born and bred in the class struggle. . . . Dennis, who has been a member of the Party for 19 years, has also had very wide Party experience. . . .

"Possessed of an extensive

knowledge of Marxism-Leninism, both in theory and practice, Comrade Dennis is a good political analyst. He is also a realistic tactician in the formulation and carrying out of Party policy."

These past four years, so crowded with historic struggle against the twin menace of war and fascism, have confirmed the high estimate of Dennis' capacities as General Secretary given to the Party by Foster.

In his everyday leadership and in his reports and speeches throughout these years he has fought for a recognition that the struggle for peace is the key issue in the life of our people and country on which a broad and powerful movement must be organized, led

## Court May Rule Today

Attorneys for Eugene Dennis said yesterday it was possible that the Supreme Court might hand down today an answer to their petition for a rehearing.

by the working class; and to expose and defeat the war-mad adventurers of Wall Street and Washington. As part of this fight he has outlined the vital need of realizing a broad anti-war, anti-monopoly peoples coalition, in the center of which would be the ur-

gently necessary Third Party movement.

INDISPENSABLE in realizing these, Dennis never tired of saying, was the leading role of labor and the establishment of a firm labor-Negro alliance.

At the December, 1946, National Committee meeting, Dennis boldly proclaimed:

"To talk of full equality for the Negro people of the South without advancing and fighting for their right to land and to the free determination of their own destiny, would be a denial of the struggle for equal rights for the Negro people. . . . It would be a negation and abandonment of the great national liberation movement of the

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# FE Defeats Raiders at Harvester

By Ruby Cooper (Reprinted from late edition of The Worker)

**CHICAGO.**—The Farm Equipment Workers-United Electrical Workers won a smashing double victory over the raiding CIO United Auto Workers at the big Tractor Works of International Harvester Co. and the Ingersoll plant of Borg-Warner here.

## Writers Protest U.S. Welcome to Chile Dictator

The U. S. government's lavish welcome to Chilean dictator Gabriel Gonzalez Videla was protested yesterday in a resolution to President Truman signed by 200 writers, artists and workers in the publishing trade.

The protest was launched at a meeting sponsored Wednesday night in the Cornish Arms Hotel by the Writing and Publishing Division of the New York Council of the Arts, Sciences and Professions.

John Howard Lawson, Hollywood screen writer facing a year in prison for "contempt" of the House Un-American Committee, told the rally "this shame could not happen if it were not for betrayal of writers, artists and educators."

### LAUD NERUDA

Novelist Howard Fast, chairman of the meeting, poet Muriel Rukeyser and Fur Union leader Leon Straus paid tribute to Pablo Neruda, famed poet and former Senator of Chile, exiled from his country by dictator Videla.

The resolution to Truman charged Videla had launched a "reign of terror" in Chile and had "turned his country into a concentration camp."

Persons attending the meeting also signed resolutions:

- To the Turkish embassy demanding release from prison of Nazim Hikmet, Turkish national poet, now entering his 13th day of hunger strike.
- To the U. S. Supreme Court calling for rehearing of the Eugene Dennis and Hollywood Ten contempt of Congress cases.

### Strike Closes 3 Mattress Plants

**PITTSBURGH, April 23.**—Three mattress manufacturing plants here have been closed by strikes of the AFL Bedding and Mattress Workers, Local 157. Some 200 workers are involved.

The union demanded a 14-cent package increase, which includes a 10-cent-an-hour wage raise, Armistice Day as a seventh paid holiday and vacation adjustments. The bosses offered a five-cent-an-hour wage increase.

The firms struck are Sealy Mattress Co., Star Bedding Co. and the Royal Bedding Co.

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# 130 Californians Urge McGrath End Case of '11'

**LOS ANGELES, April 23.**—An open letter on the trial of the 11 leaders of the Communist Party, written by Carey McWilliams, author, attorney and civil liberties authority, and signed by more than 130 community leaders, has urged Attorney General J. Howard McGrath to abandon prosecution. The signers call on their fellow citizens to join with them in appealing to the government. Copies were sent to President Truman and McGrath.

Printed in leaflet form, the McWilliams letter is available to organizations and individuals who wish to stimulate the writing of similar letters. Supplies may be obtained through Mrs. Hollister Noble, one of the signers, by writing to her home, 15041 Del Gado Dr., Sherman Oaks.

The signers include liberal Democrats, members of the American Civil Liberties Union, physicians, lawyers, leaders of the Negro community, writers, ministers, active churchmen and women, professors and others from Los Angeles and outlying communities.

Citing "the dangers of present day persecution of men for their thoughts and beliefs," the signers made clear that their condemnation of the Communist trial, and the launching of the prosecution in the first place, "does not, of course, imply endorsement of or agreement with the creed that was placed on trial in New York."

But, the signers said "we do abhor the notion that any political doctrine, per se, in the United States of America, should be regarded as a form of heresy." They condemned the trial as "a prosecution for heresy."

Moreover, they questioned the constitutionality of the Smith Act, under which the Communist party leaders were indicted. They declared their belief that the prosecution of the Communists was "clearly related, in its inception, to partisan political consideration in the 1948 elections."

Judge Harold Medina's instructions to the jury, the open letter stated, "undermined, and in effect, discarded the 'clear and present danger' doctrine as a safeguard to rights guaranteed by the First Amendment."

Medina was rebuked by the signers for the jail sentences he handed out at the end of the trial to the lawyers for the defendants. His action was called "highly dangerous."

And the signers condemned "any masked prosecution as an attempt to coerce and silence by law, which . . . is the argument of force in its worst form."

Among the signers were: Dr. Murray Abowitz, Dr. William H. Atkinson, Mrs. Charlotte Bass, Stewart and Juanita C. Belcher, Dr. C. C. Blauvelt and the Rev. Ernest Caldecott.

Attorney George E. Cannady, Myrtle H. Cannon, L. Clair Case, Belle and John F. Clewe, Dr. P. P. Cobbs, George M. Cowell, Charles W. Cox, Minnie I. Etzweiler.

Rev. Stephen H. Fritchman, Prof. Arthur Galston, Atty. Herbert Ganahl, Atty. Hugh Goodwin, Mary Grunewald, David Grutman and Hugh Hardyman.

# NMU Meeting Expels Curranite On Charges of Job-Selling

(Reprinted from late edition of The Worker)

The National Maritime Union's New York port membership meeting on Thursday night expelled Ignatio Diaz, the union's chief dispatcher, on charges of job-selling and forging of shipping cards. Diaz, one of the wheel-horses of president Joe Curran's machine, countered with accusations of similar nature against John Hunt, port agent of the New York and another of Curran's top machine men. Action, however, was taken on Hunt.

Diaz' activities were bared as a result of the exposure of the union book selling racket, in the NMU, a racket which, according to District Attorney Hogan's office, netted more than \$40,000 to two of the men awaiting trial. The two, Herbert de Jesus and Frank di Martini, were formerly on the NMU's payroll, and were also of the Curran machine.

The book-selling and shipping card forging racket was exposed as a result, mainly, of the fire leveled upon it by the United Rank and File Committee.

Loyal E. Joseph, rank and file candidate for vice-president, was slugged Thursday night as he entered the lobby of St. Nicholas Arena, where the NMU's meeting was held. One of Curran's men named Feliciano, was arrested and booked on assault charges. This is the third time Feliciano was booked on similar charges.

Joseph was accompanied by Robert McElroy, rank and file candidate for president; Miles Yancy,

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# Gambling Racket Is Big Business

By Harry Raymond

If Brooklyn's Prosecutor Miles F. McDonald ever gets around to lifting his crime probe out of its present police precinct paddy wagon stage he will discover the gambling racket is one of the nation's biggest businesses.

The total amount of money taken in by the betting syndicates is staggering.

A prominent Washington business journal last week estimated the minimum yearly take of the gambling overlords at \$10,000,000,000.

This is a sum equal to the total British budget.

## HALF U. S. BUDGET

Maximum estimates of other crime study groups place the total yearly income of organized illegal gambling in the U. S. at \$23,000,000,000, half the size of the back-breaking national U. S. budget.

A breakdown of these figures shows:

- Off-track race betting, \$3,000,000,000 a year. Maximum estimate, \$10,000,000,000 a year.

- Sports pools, covering baseball, boxing, football, basketball betting, \$3,000,000,000 to \$5,000,000,000 a year.

- The numbers game, \$1,000,000,000 a year in pennies, nickels, dimes and quarters. Maximum estimate for this small stakes game, \$2,000,000,000 a year.

- Slot machines \$2,000,000,000 to \$3,000,000,000 a year.

- Game joints specializing in roulette, crap, poker and blackjack, \$1,000,000,000 to \$3,000,000,000 a year.

## MOST IN CITY

Most transactions involving these vast sums take place within the boundaries of the City of New York.

The transactions are, of course, hidden and under the counter. But now and then, through some accident, the millionaire gambling

kings get caught with their jackpots down.

One New York bookmaker got careless and was compelled to pay back taxes on bank deposits totaling \$30,000,000 over a 12-year stretch.

Another report tells of a New Jersey front man for a game joint making deposits of \$5,000,000 a year.

Most of the racket bosses, however, salt their ill-gotten gains in safe deposit vaults. Large sums of the racket dollars are invested in hotels, Florida, New York and California real estate, night clubs, local utility and transit companies, cleaning and dyeing services and laundries.

Organized crime always follows the racket dollars into the neighborhoods.

## PLUSH SETUPS

But Prosecutor McDonald will

not find the big criminals in the ramshackled bookie-numbers joints in Brooklyn's slum neighborhoods. They keep clear of the small drop joints now being raided. Their headquarters are in the plush apartments, hotels and political clubs.

"No group of organized criminals has ever been able to achieve profits and prominence without the friendship and toleration, if not actual assistance, of politicians or public officials," warned the recent report of California's Special Crimes Study Commission.

Bookmaking, one of New York's most widespread rackets, could not operate without a centralized and well-controlled wire information service. Here's where the payoff to the public official comes in. The bookmakers now being haled by McDonald before the Kings

County grand jury are actually the front men for higher-ups.

The California Commission reported it was the practice of the gambling syndicates to pay 20 to 30 percent of gross profits for protection. Higher-ups, the politicians and officials, who are in on this big payoff, are not being touched in the Brooklyn rackets probe.

Gambling syndicates have their boards of directors which meet in swank offices, accountants, lawyers and other high-paid experts and advisers. Decisions of these boards are often enforced by squads of execution punks at pistol point. The Kansas City slaying of political boss Charlie Binaggio was an example of this phase of business practice of the syndicates.

Dare McDonald prosecute these top-drawer executives and their political protectors

## Reinstate Leaders of Bronx Communist Party

Restoration of Isidore Begun, Robert Appel and Bernard Shuldiner to full status as leaders of the New York Communist organization has been announced by the New York State Committee of the Communist Party. Begun has returned to his former post as chairman of the Bronx County Communist organization.

The announcement followed completion of a critical and self-critical review by the state and county committees of the work of the three, based on disciplinary actions in May, 1949, when they were removed from their positions in the Bronx leadership for gross white chauvinist (supremacist) errors in their work.

The Bronx County Committee was censured at the time for fundamental weaknesses in the struggle for Negro rights and the struggle against white supremacy.

## MAIN CONCLUSIONS

Main conclusions of this review, based on consultations with the section organizations in the Bronx to which the three Communists were assigned during the last year, were:

1. Isidore Begun had fulfilled his control tasks in the Allerton Section with merit, aiding in promotion of Negroes to leadership, in improving the section's work in the struggle for Negro rights, in developing Negro and white unity in the community, and achieving a greater Communist understanding of the Negro question as a national question.

## APPEL'S RECORD

2. Robert Appel had completed his control tasks as organizational secretary of the Prospect Section, giving leadership to the training of Negro personnel, strengthening of the organizational work of this key concentration section in the Negro community, improvement of its electoral and mass work in the fight for Negro rights and serious advances in his grasp of the Negro question. (This conclusion was the result of a second evaluation of Appel's work by the Prospect Sec-



BEGUN  
Resumes Post as Chairman

tion six weeks after the first review. At the first evaluation, Appel had been criticized, particularly by Negro members for serious bureaucratic tendencies in his work, though it was felt that he had made much progress in his specific control tasks. On this basis, it was not originally proposed that he be restored to County leadership.)

3. Bernard Shuldiner had fulfilled his assignment in a responsible manner in the Allerton section, in addition to a specific contribution in the struggle against police brutality.

4. There had been a serious advance in the work of the Bronx County Party organization in the struggle for Negro rights and against white chauvinism, reflected in winning jobs for Negroes,

strengthening of the fight for Negro candidates in public office, against jimcrow in housing and against police brutality in broad united front activity.

5. The critical and self-critical approach to the three Communists, even to the point of disciplinary action, has strengthened and not weakened their work and that of the Party as a whole.

6. The late Sam Wiseman is commended for his leadership as State representative to the Bronx County Committee, and the contributions of Quincy Goldberg, Bill Johnson, Connie Jackson and Jack Stein in the Secretariat of the Bronx County organization are noted.

The State Committee statement, signed by Robert Thompson, chairman, and William Norman, secretary, declared that its action of last year in removing the Communist leaders and giving them specific tasks proves the "ability of our Party to overcome weaknesses through the sharpest self-criticism."

It indicates the "superiority of Marxist-Leninist science, which practices national equality and Negro-white unity, over the American white supremacy, fascist ideology of the Wall Street imperialists."

Because of the intensified white supremacist ideology flowing from Wall Street's war drive, the statement declared, there should be no complacency either on the part of those restored to leadership or the Party as a whole regarding the need to overcome weaknesses still remaining in the struggle against white chauvinism, for Negro rights and for mastery of the Marxist position on the Negro question as a national question.

## Penn State Student Council Denounces Firing of Dr. Lorch

STATE COLLEGE, Pa., April 23.—The Student Council of the Liberal Arts College of Penn State here has attacked the firing of Dr. Lee Lorch, assistant professor of mathematics, as a "shocking violation of academic freedom."

Dr. Lorch was notified several weeks ago that his contract would not be renewed because he had placed his Stuyvesant Town apartment in New York City at the disposal of a Negro family. The project, erected and owned by the Metropolitan Life Insurance Co., is jimcrow and Dr. Lorch was one of the leaders of a tenants' committee to end segregation there.

It was reported, following Dr. Lorch's receipt of his notice of dismissal, that pressure had been placed on Penn State's Board of Trustees to have him fired. There are several insurance executives on the board.

Last year Dr. Lorch was dismissed by City College of New York for the same reason.

The Student Council revealed that it had questioned A. O. Morse, assistant to the president of Penn State, on the reasons for Dr. Lorch's dismissal and had been informed "that neither academic deficiency nor relations with other faculty members" were the cause of the firing. Morse refused to answer queries on the Negro issue, stating that he was under instructions from the Board of Trustees not to discuss the matter.

Also planning action on the case

was the student chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, of which Dr. Lorch is co-adviser. The NAACP chapter voted to send a letter to the Board of Trustees demanding an official statement of the reasons Dr. Lorch's contract was not renewed.

"If by opposing racial discrimination and working for its elimination a professor may lose his job here at Penn State," said the Student Council, "then the college's reputation as an exemplary American institution is seriously jeopardized."

"The Liberal Arts Student Council feels that the administration has violated the moral obligations to higher education with which it is vested. In taking stock of our administration from the Board of Trustees down we must conclude that principles and ethical responsibilities have been sacrificed for the interests of a select few."

Action of the Student Council was saluted by the Daily Collegian, student newspaper, which played it as its main story of April 14. The newspaper also reported that the school would be placed on the blacklist of the American Association of University Professors (AAUP), if it refused to reinstate Dr. Lorch.

## Bella Dodd Subpoenaed

WASHINGTON.—The Senate foreign relations subcommittee Friday subpoenaed Bella V. Dodd, expelled from the Communist Party, and two ex-FBI men to testify behind closed doors Tuesday on charges that Owen Lattimore is a Russian spy. The two ex-FBI men are Lawrence Kerley and John J. Huber.

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# Around the Globe

By Joseph Clark

## Mid-Century May Day's World Balance Sheet

LET'S MAKE a rapid trip around the globe on the eve of the mid-century May Day. How does world labor shape up? How strong is this peace camp?

Starting with Great Britain, we're in a country whose government hangs by a thread because of the close margin between Tories and Labor. The same workers who voted Labor are fighting mad against the wage freeze, and a huge strike movement faces Britain. The peace movement

has just launched an immense petition campaign to present signatures to parliament for banning the A-bomb.

In France, the Communist Party has won the support of the majority of the working class. Efforts by the Catholic hierarchy and right wing socialists to split the trade unions found the left wing CGT by far the strongest trade union center. Workers refuse to handle car-

goes going to the "dirty war" in Viet Nam, or Atlantic Pact arms.

In Italy we find a similar picture, with peasants uniting with the workers in support of the fight for peace, bread and land.

In Germany, the U. S. and British occupation forces have the jitters because of the great success of the movement for a national front of a democratic Germany. In the east the German Democratic Republic moves forward as the basis for a united democratic Germany, while in the west Nazis run riot under Adenauer and McCloy.

IN POLAND, one of the greatest miracles of our time has been wrought. Out of the rubble rose a land whose production is 75 percent higher than pre-war and more than double on a per capita basis. People eat well, the peasants have the land and the days of pogroms and fascism are gone.

Czechoslovakia, also building socialism, has surpassed pre-war levels of production by 12 percent, and 40 percent per capita.

In Hungary production is 50 percent above pre-war.

Formerly backward Romania now produces tractors and trucks and people of different nationalities—Romanian, Jew and Hungarian—live without pogroms and discrimination.

Bulgaria is producing about 75 percent above pre-war level.

Little Albania has quadrupled its production; and where there were only goats there are now railroads.

Adjacent Yugoslavia has become a fascist state, living by grace of the import-export bank. But the attempt to export Titoism was smashed, and, within Yugoslavia itself, a resistance movement is spreading.

IN THE SOVIET UNION 200,000,000 people have not only repaired the ravages of the worst war destruction in the world but their efforts have enabled the people of the new democracies to bring about miracles of progress. Soviet production in 1949 was 41 percent over 1940; at the end of 1949 the level was 53 percent higher and the five-year plan goals were reached in four years. Three consecutive price cuts have made the finest consumer goods available to the people.

China's 475,000,000 people have won the most gigantic liberation struggle since 1917.

In Viet Nam, 20,000,000 people have liberated their country from Japan, France and now the U. S.

In Burma, more than half the country has been liberated and a People's Government set up with the capital in Prome.

India and Indonesia are supposed to be the bulwarks of Wall Street in Asia. The grinding poverty in these countries, and the continued control by foreign capital spurs a bitter resistance movement.

In Africa a new continent has entered the arena of struggle against imperialism. Throughout French colonial Africa, the African Democratic Rally mobilizes the people against imperialism. The Seretse Khama incident in British Bechuanaland shows how shaky imperialist pillars have become on that continent.

In Latin America, brutal terror rages in most countries under the sponsorship of Wall Street investors and the State Department. But workers and students in Chile strike for their rights; Brazilian peasants fight for land, and Carlos Prestes, though in hiding, is the hero of Brazil.

VIRGIL

By Len Kleis



## Letters from Readers

### On the Columbia Anti-Videla Rally

NEW YORK

Editor, Daily Worker:

I should like to add to your story in the April 19 Daily Worker on the picketing of President Videla of Chile by Columbia University students.

An important detail which the school newspaper Spectator only briefly touched on was the force and violence employed by young hoodlum-like student on-lookers against the pickets. True, "minor skirmishes" were provoked by the hoodlums, and "pails of water" were thrown on the pickets by cowardly individuals perched high in an adjoining building.

But even more important was the "lynch temper" of the luna-

tic fringe, as one Negro woman picket characterized it, and which the police were forced to recognize and control. Epithets of unrepeatable quality were hurled at the pickets, especially at the women in the line. The hate and rapaciousness in the eyes of the young college students testifies to the success of Hitlerian demagoguery, practised by the monopolists.

Yet the fact that the overwhelming majority of the students present did not take part in these outrages shows that there is still hope that they may be alerted to the perils of war and fascism.

STEPHEN FLERB.

## Press Roundup

THE TIMES, looks back over the five years since the San Francisco conference. "The United Nations is not altogether effective," it notes, but "men have not lost interest in it. This is one step forward which does something to relieve the sadness of our backward look." The Times has certainly worked hard during the five years to put the skids under the world organization.

THE HERALD TRIBUNE is excited over two Soviet reporters' comment on New York City which found the richest metropolis in the world "a place of tinsel, glamor, dirt and human tragedy." So the Trib sent a reporter on a tour of the city and he is filled with the "beauty of a five-cent ferry ride."

THE JOURNAL - AMERICAN hots up the not-so-cold war by stating, "Relations between the United States and Soviet Russia are close to 'hair-trigger' tension behind the scenes." The war-inciting article is written by Hearstling Karl H. Von Wiegand from Bonn in Western Germany which the United States is building up as a base against the Soviet Union.

THE POST is worried about the growing strength of Nazis in

Western Germany. It backs Sen. Guy Gillette's request for an investigation of U. S. policy in Western Germany.

THE COMPASS sees the "conspiracy" to beat Rep. Vito Marcantonio in the coming election conducted on a smear basis "having nothing to do with the issues which have meaning for human beings."

THE NEWS doubts President Truman's pollyanna comments on the state of the nation and is worried about the national debt of \$255,000,000,000. It is all the fault, according to the News, of "Roosevelt's betrayals of our interests at Yalta and Tehran and Truman's mistakes at Potsdam." The stupendous arms budget, with its enormous burden on the backs of everyday Americans, is of no concern to the News.

THE MIRROR'S latest attack on groups working for peace appears in a Sunday column by Dr. Ruth Alexander, directed against the United World Federalists. Redbaiting the organization which includes prize red-baiters, Dr. Alexander alleges that peace movements are "wild visionary schemes whose end result could only serve Moscow."

# World of Labor

By George Morris

## ITU "Independents" Need A "Red Issue" Very Much

APPARENTLY HARD-UP for a real issue in the International Typographical Union's election campaign, the Independent Club in New York, the group in the union the publishers would vote for, is still trying to build up a "red" issue. Their model is Senator Joe McCarthy.

As we had already noted on April 3 in this column, the Independents, working to defeat the Progressive slate headed by President Woodruff Randolph, "found" the issue they were seeking. The membership of the "Big Six" voted to back the coal miners who were on strike. A committee was formed in the local to collect aid for the miners. But the enterprising Independents also "discovered" that the Communist Party favored collections in support of the miners. Also that the Daily Worker carried appeals in support of the miners. That means that the movement for mine strike aid is "Moscow-inspired," and those who favor such relief are "linked" to Moscow.

The Independents therefore felt duty-bound to send a notice on yellow paper, for posting on ITU bulletin boards, warning the members of the "plot." Nevertheless, it seems, hundreds of ITU members persisted in being "linked to Moscow" and contributed. The committee, rendering a report on its work, showed \$1,536 collected in Big Six within a very short time, from 59 shops. The committee says:

"The undersigned who, it is alleged, 'were taken in' by the Communists, have no apology to make for their part in making this Big Six appeal a success, rather we feel a sense of pride in helping a sister union win better conditions and more money to buy the necessities of life, while at the same time nullifying the effects of the Taft-Hartley Law."

THE INDEPENDENTS (who are hardly independent) should put out a counter-bulletin saying: "The undersigned tried their best to cut down every dollar that might have gone to starving families of the coal miners. It was far more important to build a 'red issue' for our election campaign."

These disrupters, hellbent to grab the ITU by every foul means they can find, fully confirm in the second issue of their paper, all we said about them. Their editorial, taking up our column of April 3, is titled: "Daily Worker Defends President Randolph." It begins: "If ever proof were required to reveal the close affiliation between the Prog (ITU's Progressive Party) and Communist parties," then my column "should be sufficient to convince the most naive."

What did we say of Randolph? We noted that he is a "conservative" union leader. But he is nevertheless attacked because he "conducted successfully the same type of fight against the Taft-Hartley Law that the miners waged and won." Again the same pattern. Randolph is against the T-H Law and waged a militant fight against it. The Communists are also against the T-H Law and call for a militant fight against it. That makes Randolph, who on occasions attacks us, a red-hot Communist.

THE DAILY WORKER or this column never endorses candidates in a union election. If, however, the evidence it presents shows up the scab-mindedness and pro-employer line of some people, as we did in the case of the Independents, then its something for those whom the shoe fits to look out for.

It is not an accident that the Independents made their opposition to the miners' strike an issue in the elections or that they try to give that issue a special "red twist." In the last election of the ITU their mud and sabotage was directed at their own union's critical fight on the Taft-Hartley Law and especially its Chicago strike. They thought they could attract the votes of members who were taxed to finance that fight. The results of that election proved them wrong.

Now the Independents try to play the same game via an attack on the miners' strike in which the issue was the same. But not daring to do so directly, they seek to give it the "red" touch by pointing to the amazing discovery that the Daily Worker has also called for support of the miners. The Independents must take the ITU's members for a bunch of dumb clucks to believe they'd swallow that line.

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## Peaceful Co-Existence? Yes!

THE STATE DEPARTMENT CONTINUES TO PLAY the same old phonograph record on how dangerous and difficult it is to get peace with the Soviet Union. But the facts cannot be talked out of existence. The Soviet Union wants peace. The Soviet Union needs peace. The Soviet Union offers peace.

The world—and that includes the American people—wants to know why Washington refuses to say a clear and unequivocal "Yes" to the Soviet philosophy of peaceful co-existence of Socialist and capitalist states.

TAKE THE LATEST SPEECH of Secretary of State Acheson for example. He hems and haws on this basic question. He spends nine-tenths of his speech theorizing on the "Soviet danger" to the U.S.A. But he can't give any evidence of this "danger." He simply manufactures "the danger" out of the whole cloth by referring to Prague, Turkey, Trieste and Berlin. Where is the alleged terrible "danger" to our country in these places? You would have to find it with a microscope.

In Prague, the Czech Government—NOT the Soviet Union—refuses to let our consulate be used as headquarters for political activity against the Czech Government. Is that a terrible "danger" to us?

In Turkey, the Soviet Union repeats its reasonable request to have a voice in the supervision of the Dardanelles Straits. These have been used time and time again as entrance into the Black Sea for hostile acts against the Soviet Union. Washington, more than 40 years ago, SEIZED THE PANAMA CANAL 1,500 MILES FROM OUR SHORES on ground of "defense." The Dardanelles are right up against the Soviet Union's frontiers. But Acheson says that we are faced with a mortal danger if the Soviet Union wants to share in supervision of the straits against hostile actions!

In Berlin, the "danger" is that the German people are demonstrating for the unity of their country. The "danger" in Trieste is that the Soviet Union asks the UN to take it over, replacing British and U. S. troops with UN forces.

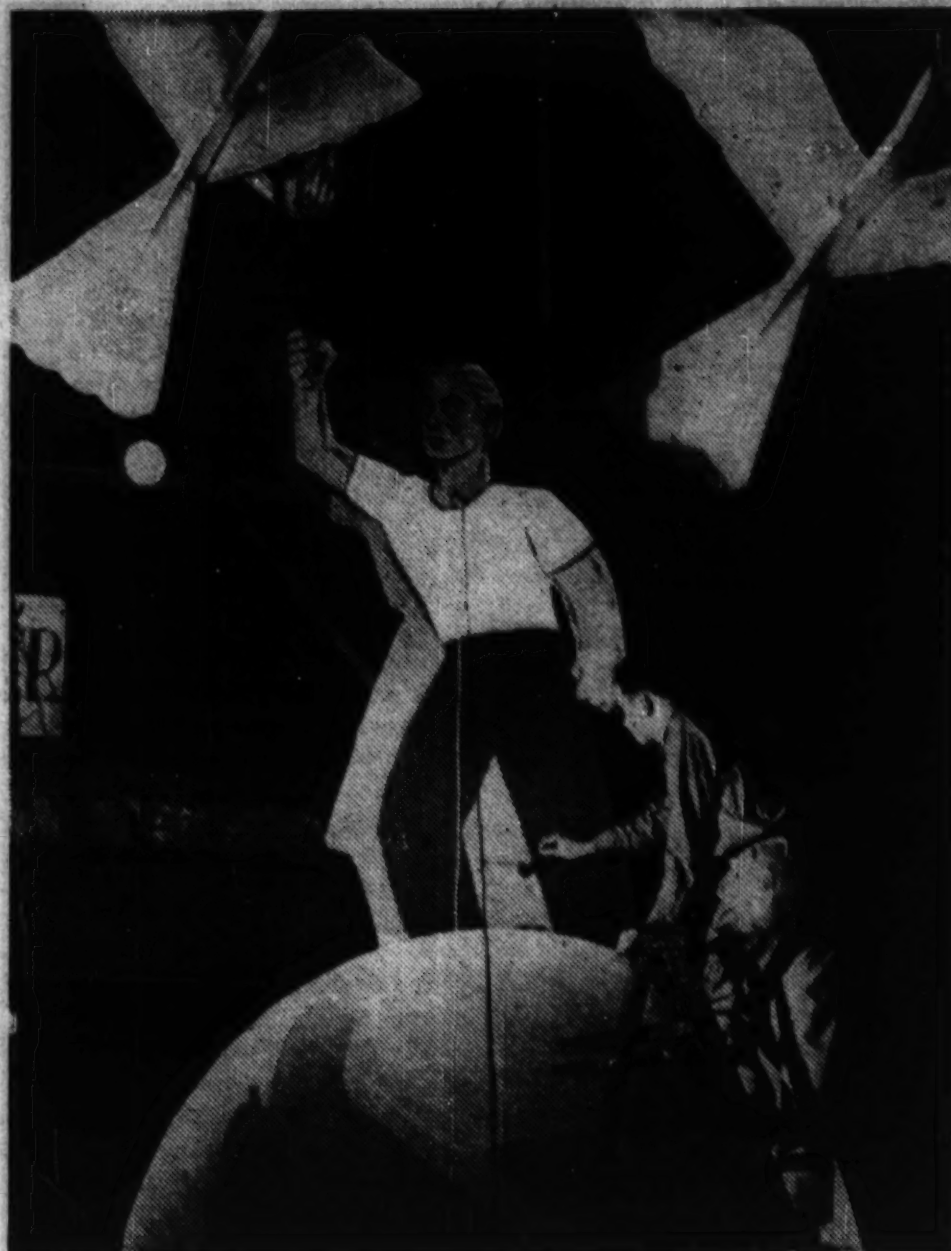
If this is the sum total of the "terrible danger" facing the U.S.A. today, then all we can say is that our country has never been safer in its entire history. The real danger facing us is the criminal myth of "inevitable war" and the Nazi-like philosophy in high places that the working people of other lands must be prevented by force and violence from adopting the Socialist system if they choose.

BUT ACHESON CANNOT SWEEP ASIDE the peoples' demand for peaceful co-existence of Socialism and capitalism. He therefore tips his hat to the idea of peace. "We do not propose to subvert the Soviet Union. We shall not attempt to undermine Soviet independence." Fine! But what is the explanation then of the colossal war machine Washington is now rushing to completion in the Atlantic War Pact? Why does Washington refuse to withdraw its armies from Germany and Southern Korea? Why does Washington simply refuse even to consider the possibility of outlawing ATOMIC WARFARE?

The Cold War leaders do not dare to say right out in the open that they believe in and act on the philosophy of "inevitable war." But their deeds make it plain that such is the case. Again and again, the highest spokesmen of the Government have enunciated the Hitler theory that the mere existence of Socialism in other states constitutes a mortal danger to the world which must be wiped out in blood and violence.

THIS THEORY COMES from Big Capital here which is determined to maintain and take over the ancient and blood-soaked empires of Asia, Africa, the Middle East and the Far East. When the Chinese people free themselves, the McCarthys roar for revenge because "we" have "lost" China to the Chinese people! Washington insists that wherever you find a peace movement, or a strike for higher wages, or a national movement for colonial liberation, there you find "Soviet aggression." On this basis, Big Capital is committed to war at all costs because the world refuses to live in the old way!

But the people think differently! May Day will be Peace day! On May Day the world will ring with the cry "Outlaw atomic war!" This cry echoes in the hearts of all mankind, no matter what they think about anything else. Political and religious differences didn't count in the face of the atomic peril. Let all unite to banish atomic slaughter from the world.



## You'll See It Next Monday

A workshop artist puts finishing touches on Kings County Communist Party's giant "Socialism" float, which shows the sweep of the people's movement over the globe. This will be the largest float in the May Day parade, towering 18 feet when completed.

## As We See It

### The Dangerous Antics of McCarthy and Budenz

By Rob F. Hall WASHINGTON.



SEN. BRIEN McMAHON (D-Conn) is an extremely busy man. He cannot be two places at once so he was compelled to recess the hearings on the hydrogen bomb before his Joint Committee on Atomic Energy to attend the hearings of another committee of which he is a member.

This other committee had a date with a voluble little character named Louis Francis Budenz. For more than four hours Sen. McMahon and his colleagues sat under Kleig lights in a crowded chamber and heard this wordy man swear under oath that all kinds of people were Soviet espionage agents—"To my own knowledge"—a charge that made the headlines despite the fact that Budenz was not required to offer a shred of proof. The now well-known charge of Sen. Joe McCarthy (R-Wis.) that Prof. Owen J. Lattimore is "the top Soviet espionage agent" Budenz said was not "technically correct." But he wanted the committee and the press to believe this was a very minor inaccuracy and that for the main McCarthy's allegations against Lattimore were true.

This column is not intended as a study of the character—if that is the word—of this Budenz person. But the pathological vanity of the man, so unmistakable to spectators, was extremely significant.

"You were an important man," said Sen. Theodore Green (D-RI) and Budenz stopped suddenly in his headlong flight of oratory to preen himself.

"I have given more time to the FBI than any other man in the country," Budenz boasted.

Sen. Green remarked that inasmuch as Budenz had so much to say about what he called the "Communist conspiracy" why hadn't he testified at the Foley Square trial.

"Why Senator," Budenz exclaimed, genuinely and palpably wounded, "I was the government's chief witness. I was on the stand 10 days."

WHEN A QUESTION was asked which Budenz was unable or unwilling to answer he did not pause. He would change the subject and hurry on, volunteering information or opinions, especially opinions, or merely boasting of his great zeal in Wall Street's anti-Communist crusade.

Whenever he discussed his

10 regrettable (for us) years in the Communist Party he managed to insert a remark insinuating he was a very "important" person in party circles. As a "participant" in political bureau meetings, he had "exercised discipline" over Prof. Lattimore, he bragged.

This was a lie on at least three counts, and it highlights the sickly quality of his egotism.

Why should Sen. McMahon and his colleagues feel it necessary to listen for four hours to this perjured drivel?

He was catapulted into their midst because they earlier felt it necessary to hear the charge of Sen. McCarthy. The caliber of this man may be understood from his remarks before the American Society of Newspaper Editors Thursday. He "automatically became a revolving S.O.B." when he started his witchhunt, he said. Those who oppose him were only "Reds . . . and egg-sucking phony liberals." But he was not, he boasted, afraid of "Communists and queers."

Such gutter language and gutter thinking, I am sure, must have been familiar to those Germans who attended Nazi Party meetings prior to the elevation of Herr Hitler as chancellor. The important thing, however, is that two such mountebanks as McCarthy and Budenz should occupy the center of the national stage in times as crucial and perilous as these.

THERE IS NO ISSUE in the whole wide world more important than that pending before Sen. McMahon's Committee on Atomic Energy. Hearings were called to explore the "impact of hydrogen bomb development on

the American plan for atomic control." Every day which passes which does not see us closer to an agreement with the Soviet Union on control of atomic weapons sees us closer to the awful disaster of atomic war. Every day which passes without developing the broadest public discussion of our proposals and those of the USSR is time irretrievably lost.

The Truman Administration's cold war policy and its decision to develop the H-bomb created the atmosphere for men like McCarthy and Budenz to seize the center of the stage. Conversely the dangerous antics of McCarthy distract the public mind from the decisive question of atomic war and operate like a gag on those public figures who might be disposed to speak out for a sane and sober approach to this problem.

But somewhere, somehow, the vicious circle must be broken. Clearly the Truman Administration will not do the job. There are no indications that the Justice Department intends to prosecute for perjury their pet stool-pigeon merely because he has helped along McCarthy's mud-slinging against the Administration.

On the contrary the signs point differently. The committee counsel handled Budenz with kid glove solicitude. New honors have recently been bestowed on John Foster Dulles, Sen. Stiles Bridges (R-NH) and other backers of McCarthyism.

The warmongers have been having a field day as a result of the tragic death of 10 American airmen sent on an indefensible and inexcusable mission by the brass hats of the Truman Administration. The war fever and the McCarthy oratory rise concurrently to the same pitch.

It should be clear that only the intervention of the people can break the vicious circle. If they speak up they can halt McCarthy's campaign of terror and bring the fateful issue of peace into the foreground where it belongs.







## Foreign Briefs

### Japanese Scientists Hit Use of A-Bomb

TOKYO (Telepress).—The use of atomic weapons in war and the establishment of military bases in Japan were denounced by 106 of Japan's leading scientists at a Scientists' Peace Study Congress here. The scientists issued a statement declaring that the use of atomic science first in war "is the greatest shame for science and scientists." They said that "since peace and science belong to the whole of mankind, we resolve to oppose, despite every difficulty, warmongering, military bases in Japan, the restriction of academic freedom and the dismissal of scientists defending peace."

### Hike Production of Soviet Farm Machines

MOSCOW (Telepress).—Soviet collective farmers, state farms and motor tractor stations got from three to four times more tractors, combines and other farm implements in 1949 than they did in 1940. Among the new types of agricultural machinery now being manufactured are combine harvesters for rice and corn, portable grain driers using local fuel, adaptations for threshing machines to permit them to thresh seed grasses and a tractor-drawn machine for sowing tea.

### Urge Attacks on Peasants in Indian States

BOMBAY (Telepress).—Full-scale military operations against the undefeated peasant liberation movement in the Indian states of Hyderabad and Madras were urged by leaders of the ruling Congress Party. Despite the use of police terror, the raiding of villages and the jailing of over 5,000 persons, reactionary Congress leader Pandit Sunderlal reported after a tour of the areas that the people still "consider the Communists to be their liberators." The revolutionary peasant movement is achieving notable successes in East and West Bengal where Indian and Pakistani reactionaries are trying to divert the people's movement by stirring up Hindu-Moslem communal riots.

### China Passes New Marriage Law

PEKING (Telepress).—A new marriage law passed by the Central People's Government Council has swept into the dustbin of history the feudal code which chained Chinese women. The new law prohibits polygamy, the taking of concubines and child marriage or child betrothal. Interference in the right of widows to remarry is forbidden and the taking of money to arrange marriages is prohibited. Divorce is permitted if both parties desire it. Both parents remain responsible for their children, no matter with whom they live. Equal rights for both sexes and guaranteed legal rights for mothers and children form the basis for the new law.

### Rain Aids Crops in China

PEKING (NCNA).—Timely and abundant rainfall has benefited north, east and northeast China during the past few days. Agronomists say the rain could not have come at a better time. In the central Shensi plain, rain was heavier than at any time during the past 18 years. This is the most important wheat and cotton area of northwest China and good summer crops are expected as a result.

### Memorial Celebrations for Mayakovsky

MOSCOW (Telepress).—The 20th anniversary of the death of the poet Vladimir Mayakovsky is being celebrated throughout the Soviet Union. Since the Revolution, over 13,000,000 copies of Mayakovsky's works have been published in 47 different languages of the Soviet Union. An edition of his poems about America, which he visited in 1925, was republished in 1949 in 400,000 copies. An active revolutionary (he joined the Bolshevik Party in 1908), Mayakovsky wrote in his diary: "Revolution and verse somehow blended in my head."

### Chinese Grain Delivery Beats Quota by 9%

MUKDEN (NCNA).—Public grain delivery in Northeast China has exceeded by 9 percent the target set by the government, and the grain is of excellent quality. This was reported at a Mukden conference of the heads of the grain bureaus of the northeast provinces and cities. Over 7,000 tons of improved seed and large quantities of insecticide have been supplied to grain growers in Manchuria by the Northeast People's Government to help ensure an increase of 1,400,000 tons of grain this year. Improved seeds are expected to raise the rice yield by at least 20 percent, of soya bean by 6 percent and of wheat by 8 percent. It is hoped to have all the rice acreage sown with improved seed within two or three years.

## May Day

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nese and Japanese Americans. The group will march in native dress and will play Asiatic instruments.

Levner announced that individual contingents will be divided into groups of 80, marching in 10 lines of eight each. Participating organizations will designate a marshal for each group of 80 and a captain for each three lines of marchers.

A high point of the conference was the reading of a message of greetings sent by the May Day Committee of Japan. The conference voted to send greetings to the May Day Committees of Tokyo and Peking.

Weinstock declared that the misnamed "Loyalty" parade spon-

sors must be in a sad way if they have to depend upon Phelps Phelps of the union-hating Phelps Dodge Corp. to make a frantic appeal for their parade Saturday.

The "Loyalty" parade was initiated by the Federal Government and has the backing of the National Association of Manufacturers, Chamber of Commerce, American Legion top brass—and a number of rightwing labor leaders.

A separate conference was held Saturday by maritime workers belonging to all waterfront craft unions. The conference pledged to turn out a large number of workers from the CIO National Maritime Union, Marine Cooks and Stewards, Engineers, Firemen, Radio Officers, Shipyard Local 22, as well as members of the AFL International Longshoremen's Association.

## Mexicans

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Revolution and was the author of the famous Article 123 in the Mexican Constitution of 1917, which guaranteed the rights of labor. Another signer, Gen. Jara, is actively associated with the Mexican Committee for Peace and was one of its delegates at the recent world peace conference in Stockholm. He is now on his way to visit the Soviet Union.

### CARDENAS' ACHIEVEMENTS

The document is entitled "In Defense of the Cardenas Regime." While couched in the form of a resume of the Mexican New Deal under Cardenas, it is intended as an attack on the internal and external enemies of the Mexican people who seek to cancel the national and social advances registered during the Cardenas Administration.

It recounts the massive achievements of the Cardenas regime in expropriating the American oil trusts and nationalizing the oil industry; in distributing among landless peasants 18,000,000 hectares (about 44,500,000 acres of land), and two and a half times as much as all previous administrations combined; in raising living standards; extending education and social services; upholding the rights of labor; opposing imperialism and fascism; and supporting the international fight for peace.

Quoting a speech Cardenas made in 1940 at a congress of the Confederation of Latin American Workers (CTAL), in which he warned against the reactionary tools of foreign imperialism, the statement declares:

"The forecasts of aggression against the progressive essence of the Constitution are being fulfilled as imperialist domination is extended over the Continent, with reactionary, anti-national dictatorships that are instruments of penetration of the monopolies, which seek to exploit our natural resources, control our strategic reserves, choke our native industry and displace it from its own markets through the violent competition of surplus production. And in the name of liberty the democracies are mocked and the defeated fascists restored."

The document closes with a tribute to the vitality of the Mexican Revolution and an expression of faith that "greed, hate and violence, dedicated to plunging the people into an even more disas-

trous slaughter, will again be conquered by the moral force of righteousness, progress and universal peace."

### CARDENAS' ATTITUDE

It is not known whether Gen. Cardenas, who in recent years has been directing a vast irrigation project in his native state of Michoacan, had any advance knowledge of this statement, but it is certain that it expresses his essential views.

The statement was immediately attacked in the reactionary press. Several locals of the Petroleum Workers Union, however, lost no time in expressing their warm approval. The document was also greeted by a number of leaders of the Partido Popular (Popular Party), headed by Vicente Lombardo Toledano, president of the Confederation of Latin American Workers and vice-president of the World Federation of Trade Unions.

## AME Bishops Protest Stall On FEPC Bill

The Worker Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON.—The Bishops Council of the African Methodist Episcopal Church, representing 5,000 ministers and over one million AME church members, urged President Truman and Senate Democratic leaders to bring the FEPC bill up before the Senate immediately.

The 17 bishops vigorously protested the most recent postponement of Senate action on the FEPC measure it was stated Friday by Bishop John Gregg, of Kansas City, Kan., the presiding officer said.

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### Tonight Manhattan

STANDARDS, MORALS, and "Character of the Bourgeois Family" will be discussed by Mark Tarrill on Marriage and Family Life at The Jefferson School, 575 6th Ave., 8:30 p.m. Sub. \$1.00.

THE SOVIET UNION: Socialist Economy, Government and Culture will be discussed by Joe Clark at The Jefferson School, 575 6th Ave. 8:30 p.m. Sub. \$1.00.

DICKENS will be the topic of discussion by Dr. Annette Rubinstein on Great Masters of World Literature at The Jefferson School, 575 6th Ave. 8:35 p.m. Sub. \$1.00.

### Tomorrow Manhattan

WE'VE SAVE THE PEACE! Commemorate Eise Day, April 25, 1945—day U.S. and Soviet forces met on Elbe River, Germany. Rev. John E. Darr and other prominent speakers. Entertainment. Admission Free! Bring your bundled Yugoslav-American Home, 405 W. 41 St. (near 9 Ave.) Tuesday, April 25 at 8 p.m.

### Tomorrow Bronx

HEAR BILL MARDIO speak on the struggle against anti-Semitism and Jim Crow in sports. 1 E. 167 St. (Jerome Int.) Tuesday, April 25 at 8 p.m.

### Coming

THE DAILY WORKER Cultural Department presents a Special Performance of the great Soviet film "Childhood of Maxim Gorky." Directed by Mark Doneskoy. Adapted from Gorky's book. Friday, May 12, 10:30 p.m. at the Stanley Theatre, 41st St. & 7th Ave., NYC. Tickets at \$1.00 including tax, available through Feature Dept., Daily Worker, 50 E. 13th St. NY Telephone: AL 4-7864.

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# Bare Beating of Negro Child by L. I. Teacher

Special to the Daily Worker

HEMPSTEAD, L. I., April 23.—Hempstead school authorities were denounced at a school board hearing here for refusing to suspend a white teacher who beat a little six-year-old Negro girl student three weeks ago. The school is the Prospect Street School, the jimerowing of which evoked a parents strike last year.

Conditions are kept so bad in the school that the children are not

given copy-books and are forced to "learn" to write by tracing letters in the air. Under such adverse conditions, on March 22, Lucy Mae Ramage, 6, made an "O" in the air instead of the called-for "C." The teacher, Mrs. Ray, thereupon beat the child about the head, inducing such a hemorrhage in the nose that Lucy's clothes were covered with blood. Then the teacher made the child strip, washed the blood-stained clothes and threat-

ened her about telling her mother of the incident.

## 50 PRESENT

At Thursday evening's school board hearing, some 50 parents, NAACP members and others were present to demand suspension of the teacher, but only one, Mrs. Alverta Gray Schultz, NAACP chairman, was permitted to speak.

Mrs. Schultz declared that had the assailant been a Negro teacher and the child white, the school

board would have acted at once. But because it was the other way around, she said, three weeks had passed without punishment for the child's assailant.

W. Amos Kinkaid, superintendent of schools, alibied that he couldn't act because he hadn't known until Mrs. Schultz spoke that the child had received medical attention. A phone call to Dr. Frederick F. Richards disclosed that the doctor who had treated

Lucy Mae tried three times Thursday night to reach the school board by phone but each time had been refused hearing. The doctor then was asked to come down to the hearing, where he made a report on his treatment of the injured child.

Kinkaid thereupon shifted his alibi by declaring that a written medical report was required before any disciplinary action could be considered.

## DEMONSTRATION TOMORROW AT GREEK CONSULATE HERE

A demonstration before the Greek Consulate, 30 Rockefeller Plaza, has been called by trade unions here in support of the Federation of Greek Maritime Unions.

The demonstration will take place tomorrow at 5 p. m.

Demands will be for a general amnesty of more than 70,000 political prisoners in Greece, an end to the torture and murder of Greek unionists and abolition of the concentration camps on Makronisos Island. Also to be protested is the use of a blacklist against Federation members by the shipowners, the Greek Consul and the U. S. Immigration Service.

## Dennis

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Negro people. At the same time it would deprive the American working class and people of this powerful anti-imperialist movement which aids and promotes their immediate as well as ultimate aims.

The remark of Foster about Dennis being "a realistic tactician" has been ably demonstrated in his handling of the complex problems of the moment, combatting both right-opportunist and left-sectarian tendencies. But always in the forefront is placed the leading role of our Party, the need of mastering the liberating science of Marxism-Leninism, the ideological and organizational strengthening of the Party. Dennis shows by example how to use skillfully the sharp but necessary weapon of criticism and self-criticism, that so many of us find easier to talk about than to practice. A recent example of this is his closing remarks at the March, 1950, National Committee Plenum.

THIS VERY DAY the Truman administration would like to have Eugene Dennis become their first prisoner of Wall Street's provocative "total cold war" policy. This is because Dennis was the strong right arm of our National Chairman, William Z. Foster, in 1945 in reconstituting the Communist Party and unifying it on the solid ground of Marxism-Leninism. It is because of his devotion to the theory and practice of this world-liberating social science among the workers of our country. It is because of his courageous "challenge to the Un-Americans," like the common thief Parnell Thomas and the fascist white supremacist Rankin.

In fact, the 12-month sentence against Dennis that the Supreme Court approved three weeks ago, was for his challenge to the Rankin Bill of 1947, a forerunner of today's Mundt Bill. The atom-bomb warmakers, with their determina-

tion to bury our American Bill of Rights and the sacred American tradition of revolution, never forget Eugene Dennis' fighting role at the trial of "the 12" in Foley Square where he told them calmly but forcefully:

"... we Communist leaders face the future with confidence in our Party, our class, our people, our country. One way or another, we will continue to serve the cause of peace, democracy and socialism to which we have dedicated our lives."

"One way or another, that cause will inevitably triumph. For no one—no federal administration—can stop the forward march of history. No one—no federal administration—can stop the forward march of the people. No one—no federal administration—can kill or imprison ideas or imprison principles and beliefs."

At this eleventh hour, I call on all the organizations and members of our Party, on all anti-fascists and all partisans of peace, on all trade unionists whose rights are also at stake, to act in defense of the liberty of Eugene Dennis which is so inseparably linked with the struggle of labor and the people to defend their living standards and check the imperialist drive to fascism and world war.

Tell President Truman and Attorney General McGrath today that Eugene Dennis must not go to jail!

Let the people demand a stay of execution of the vicious sentence on Dennis, to allow him, functioning as his own lawyer, to defend himself before the Circuit Court in June.

## Relief Boss

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Delancey Sts. Two East Side protest meetings were held Saturday afternoon by the Labor Youth League and the Communist Party. The American Labor Party of the 6th A.D. North held several street corner meetings over the weekend.

Ivan Wohlworth, co-counsel for the defendants in jail, said yesterday at the start of the two-day picket line that defendants on relief are being thrown off the rolls on Hilliard's order. Elmer Carrado, 39-year-old unemployed leader, living at 132 E. 27 St., had his relief check picked up by a Welfare investigator who told his landlord that he would be kept in jail and that he did not need his room any more. Carrado is suffering from tuberculosis.

Wohlworth repeated his charge that Judge Balsam was "reached" by city officials in order to carry out the policy of the O'Dwyer-Hilliard regime to intimidate relief clients. Hilliard denied that he had influenced a guilty verdict.

His statement yesterday contradicted a previous statement by the Welfare Department attorney to Judge Balsam that the Welfare Department wanted the defendants punished.

## Wallace

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ago, "the most significant event of recent months."

He urged Lie, when he visits Western Europe, to "instill into the heads of state a determined will for successful negotiations." He also urged Lie to visit Moscow and see Soviet Premier Joseph Stalin.

Declaring that the heads of the three greatest states, President Truman, Stalin and British Prime Minister Clement Attlee, all faced economic problems at home, Wallace said that agreement on peace would alleviate all these problems.

The "problem" of the Soviet Union, Wallace said, was "to do in one generation, in spite of two wars, what took the U. S. and Britain generations to do." The U. S., he said, was heading into "a great smash," which was foretold by the mounting unemployment and the declining farm income.

## PEACE PLATFORM

He told his listeners that he placed his "chief hope" for a peace movement "among the religious and intellectual groups." He advanced a four-point program which he urged his listeners to put before candidates this fall to determine their stand on peace. The four points were:

1. Support of Lie's program for great-power talks.
2. Outlawing the hydrogen and atom bombs and declaring the nation first to use these weapons an enemy of all mankind.
3. An agreement between all nations to reduce arms by 30 percent and to use the money saved for a UN revolving fund to help backward nations.
4. A four-power agreement to prevent Germany's rearmament and for "real denazification."

## Hollywood '10'

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that the suppression of constitutional liberties is one of the forms of oppression which lead to war.

"They insist in the name of the Declaration of Human Rights recognized by the United Nations that the Supreme Court take into consideration the appeal of the Ten."

Signed included: Eugenie Cotton, director of research, National Scientific Research Center; Abbe Jean Boulter, French Catholic, Professor of International Law; Max Vierni-Stern, Catholic, decorated with the Bronze Star Medal; Professor Aubel, Sorbonne; Professor Barrabe, Sorbonne; Aime Cotton, member of the Academy of Sciences; Pierre Debray, Catholic writer; Yves Farge, former minister in French Government, writer; Deputy George Brousse; Deputy Charles Serre; Deputy Emmanuel d'Astier; Pasteur Rognon; Marcel Gimont, sculptor; Jules Bloch, professor on the Faculty of Medicine of Paris; Justin Godart, former minister; Alain Le Leap, secretary of the CGT; Prof. Lucie Aubrac; Henriette Psichari-Renan; Jacques Leman, lawyer; De Barral; Deputy Robert Chambeiron; Jacques Nuttarand; Lawrence Autheron.

An appeal to the United States Supreme Court to reconsider its refusal to review the contempt conviction of George Marshall, national chairman of the Civil Rights Congress, has been filed by Osmond K. Fraenkel, attorney for Marshall.

## Observe 80th Anniversary of Lenin's Birth

MOSCOW, April 23 (UP).—More than 27,000,000 persons have visited Vladimir I. Lenin's red and black granite mausoleum in Red Square since 1924, the year he died and his body was embalmed with a new process which apparently will preserve it forever.

Yesterday, on the 80th anniversary of his birthday, tens of thousands of Moscow residents formed a mile-long line under the bright spring sun to pay their respects to the leader of the Russian revolution.

## Belgian Cops Attack Dockers, Injure 12

ANTWERP, Belgium, April 23.—Twelve Belgian longshoremen were injured today when police attacked a demonstration against the forthcoming arrival of Atlantic Pact arms from the U. S. Frans van der Branden, leader of a dockers action committee and a member of parliament, was among the injured.

The first ship carrying these arms for Belgium is expected to reach here late next week.

## Floods Make 13,000 Homeless

CHICAGO, April 23 (UP).—More than 13,000 persons had been forced from their homes today or otherwise harassed by turbulent flood waters in North Dakota and western Minnesota.

The rainstorms developed in Iowa late yesterday and moved into Illinois, parts of Michigan and Ohio today. Thunderstorms in Iowa were accompanied by winds up to 54 miles an hour.

In a three-hour period one and a half inches of rain fell in Des Moines. Hail also fell in Des Moines, Moline, Ill., and Omaha.

## Mundt Bill

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branch NAACP; William Barrett, retired businessman; Neal Edwards, president, Indiana State Industrial Union Council; Rev. James G. Jones, Civil Rights Con-

gress; Progressive Party, and Mark Batties, Indianapolis businessman; Dr. Charles T. Josey, Butler University Psychology Department head; Paul Stout; Elizabeth Herod, Indianapolis Negro woman leader; Dr. Urbana Spink, and Rev. Clarence T. Nelson.



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### MORNING

9:00-WOR-Harry Hennessey  
WJZ-Breakfast Club  
WJZ-Talk to New York  
WJZ-Masterwork Hour  
9:15-WJZ-Norman Brookshire  
WJZ-Answer Man  
9:30-WOR-Fred Allen W. McCann  
WJZ-Plano Personalities  
9:45-WJZ-Missus Goes A-Shopping  
WJZ-Composers Varieties  
10:00-WJZ-Welcome Travelers  
WJZ-Henry Gladstone  
WJZ-My True Story  
WJZ-Bing Crosby Show  
WJZ-Morning Melodies  
10:15-WOR-Martha Deane Program  
WJZ-Arthur O'Duffy Show  
10:30-WJZ-Marriage for Two  
WJZ-Betty Crocker Magazine  
11:00-WJZ-We Love and Learn  
WJZ-Modern Romances  
WJZ-News: Prescott Robinson  
WJZ-Station Island Stories  
WJZ-News: Alma Gettler  
11:15-WJZ-Dave Garraway Show  
WJZ-Rudy Vallee Show  
11:30-WJZ-Jack Beron  
WJZ-Quick as a Flash, Quis  
WJZ-Grand Slam  
11:45-WJZ-David Harum  
WJZ-Rosemary

### AFTERNOON

12:00-WNY-Midday Symphony  
WJZ-Kate Smith  
WJZ-News Report  
WJZ-Ladies Be Seated  
WJZ-Wendy Warren  
WJZ-News: Luncheon Concert  
12:15-WJZ-Aunt Jenny  
WJZ-Norman Brookshire  
12:30-WOR-News: Luncheon at Sardi's  
WJZ-Helen Trent  
WJZ-Herb Sheldon Show  
12:45-WJZ-Our Gal Sunday  
1:00-WJZ-Mary Margaret McBride  
WJZ-News  
WJZ-Big Sister  
WJZ-Music  
WJZ-News: Midday Symphony  
1:15-WJZ-Nancy Craig  
WJZ-Ma Perkins  
1:30-WJZ-Young Dr. Malone  
WJZ-The Menious  
1:45-WJZ-The Guiding Light  
WNY-Weather Report: News  
2:00-WJZ-Double or Nothing  
WJZ-Ladies Fair  
WJZ-Welcome to Hollywood  
WJZ-Second Mrs. Burton  
WJZ-News: Record Review  
2:15-WJZ-Perry Mason  
2:30-WJZ-Today's Children  
WJZ-Queen for a Day  
WJZ-Hannibal Cobb  
WJZ-This Is Nora Drake  
WNY-Symphonic Matinee  
WJZ-Curtain at 2:30  
2:45-WJZ-Light of the World-Sketch  
WJZ-The Brighter Day-Sketch  
WJZ-Musical Specialties  
3:00-WJZ-Life Can Be Beautiful  
WJZ-Second Homestead  
WJZ-Bride and Groom  
WJZ-Nona From Nowhere  
WJZ-News: Symphonic Matinee  
3:15-WJZ-Road of Life  
WJZ-Hilltop House  
3:30-WJZ-Pepper Young's Family  
WJZ-Bob Poole  
WJZ-Pick a Date: Buddy Rodgers  
WJZ-House Party  
3:45-WJZ-Right to Happiness  
3:55-WJZ-Cedric Adams  
4:00-WJZ-Backstage Wife  
WJZ-Barbara Welles Show  
WJZ-Surprise Package  
WJZ-Strike It Rich  
WNY-Theatre Music  
WJZ-News: Record Album  
4:15-WJZ-Stella Dallas  
WJZ-Melody Promenade  
4:30-WJZ-Loraine Jones  
WJZ-Dean Cameron  
WJZ-Happy Landings  
WJZ-Scenes from Opera  
4:45-WJZ-Younger Widder Brown  
WJZ-Patti Barnes  
5:00-WJZ-When a Girl Marries  
WJZ-Mark Trail, Sketch  
WJZ-The Yukon Play  
WJZ-Continental Melodies  
WNY-Sunset Serenade  
WJZ-Galen Drake  
5:15-WJZ-Portia Faces Life  
WJZ-Record Review  
5:30-WJZ-Just Plain Bill  
WJZ-Tom Mix, sketch  
WJZ-Jack Armstrong  
WJZ-Cocktail Time  
WJZ-Hits and Misses  
5:45-WJZ-Front Page Farrell

### EVENING

6:00-WJZ-Kenneth Sanghart  
WJZ-Alan Jackson  
WJZ-News  
WJZ-News: Music to Remember

### RADIO HIGHLIGHTS

Monday, April 24

PM  
9:00-Telephone Hour. WNBC.  
9:00-Radio Theatre. WJZ.  
TV  
8:00-Silver Theatre. WJZ.  
8:00-Tele-Theatre. WJZ.  
9:00-Candid Camera. WJZ.  
10:00-Studio One. WJZ.

6:15-WNBC-Sports  
WJZ-Bob Esen, Interviews  
WJZ-Art Baker  
6:30-WOR-News Reports  
WJZ-Henry Morgan  
WJZ-Curt Massey  
WJZ-Herb Sheldon Show  
6:45-WJZ-Three Star Extra  
WJZ-Stan Lomax  
7:00-WJZ-Gustav Show  
WJZ-Bowin Hill  
WJZ-Beulah  
WNY-Masterwork Hour  
WJZ-News: Keyboard Artists  
WJZ-Fulton Lewis Jr.  
7:15-WNBC-News of the World  
WJZ-Answer Man  
WJZ-Jack Smith Variety  
WJZ-Kimer Davis  
7:30-WJZ-Lone Ranger  
WJZ-Story Tellers Playhouse  
WJZ-Jacques Frey  
WJZ-Club 15  
7:45-WJZ-H. V. Kaltenborn  
WJZ-Bill Lang  
WJZ-Edward Murrow  
8:00-WJZ-The Railroad Hour  
WJZ-B-Bar B-Riders  
WJZ-Ethel and Albert  
WJZ-Inner Sanctum  
WJZ-News: Symphony Hall  
8:30-WOR-Peter Salem  
WJZ-Arthur Godfrey Show  
WJZ-Henry Taylor, News  
WJZ-Christopher Lynch  
9:00-WNBC-Clifford Curson  
WJZ-Murder by Experts  
WJZ-Radio Theatre  
WJZ-Treasure Show  
WJZ-Concert Hall  
9:30-WOR-Dr. Ralph Bunche at Greater  
N. Y. Fund Dinner  
WJZ-Band of America  
WJZ-Let's Celebrate  
10:00-WJZ-Pres. Truman, The Loyalty  
Program  
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WJZ-Irma, Sketch  
WJZ-Nights in Latin America  
WJZ-Frank Edwards  
10:30-WJZ-Bob Hawk Show  
WJZ-Dangerous Assignment  
WJZ-Symphonic  
WJZ-Brief Classics

### Last 2 Days At Irving Place



MIKHAIL ZHAROV who plays the role of a guerilla warrior in "We Will Come Back," currently at the Irving Place.

## MOVIE GUIDE

● Excellent ● Good

- CITY LIGHTS. A revival of one of Chaplin's great films. Manhattan-Globe.
- THE BICYCLE THIEF. Another fine film by Vittorio De Sica, the maker of Shoeshine. Manhattan-World Theatre.
- WE WILL COME BACK. A revival of a fine Soviet movie about guerilla fighting during the war. Manhattan-Irving Place.
- SPRING. A revival of a charming Soviet musical comedy with Lubov Orlova and Cherkasov. Manhattan-Stanley.
- THE GOLDEN TWENTIES. A superficial but entertaining compilation of news-reels of the twenties. Manhattan-Astor.
- A RUN FOR YOUR MONEY. A charming British comedy about two Welsh miners on a trip to London. Manhattan-Park Avenue Theatre.
- LOVE HAPPY. The Marx Brothers in their latest romp. Manhattan-Criterion.
- TIGHT LITTLE ISLAND. What happens on one of the islands of the Hebrides when its supply of scotch runs out. Manhattan-Trans-Lux 60th St.
- DEVIL IN THE FLESH. A sensitive, beautifully made film about two young lovers incapable of escaping the mesh of bourgeois conventions in which they're caught. Manhattan-Art.
- RED SHOES. Distinguished by a fine ballet sequence. Manhattan-Bijou.
- THE WALLS OF MALAPAGA. Rene Clement's direction makes this same old story of Jean Gabin being chased by the police an interesting film. Manhattan-Paris Theatre.
- WOMAN OF DOLWYN. The first two-thirds is a fine story of a Welsh town caught in the way of expanding capitalism, with Edith Evans and Emlyn Williams. Manhattan-Apple.
- THE SCARCE WITNESS. Coppola's masterly filming of a play which despite its limitations is an interesting study of the imprisoned world of the petit bourgeois. Manhattan-5th Ave. Playhouse.
- THE MUSEUM OF MODERN ART FILM LIBRARY. A group of early color films.
- SKIP. GUILTY OF TREASON. A dull, lying, war-mongering movie about Mindasenty, the Hungarian traitor and spy.

### Around the Dial:

## Met Opera Ready to Engage Negro Singers, Says Bing

By Bob Lauter

IN A RECENT "Green Room" interview, intermission feature of the CBS N. Y. Philharmonic Symphony broadcasts, James Fasset had as his guest Rudolf Bing, general manager of the Metropolitan Opera.

Mr. Bing was asked what his attitude was toward the hiring of Negro singers for the Metropolitan. In response, he claimed that he was willing to engage qualified Negro artists at the opera next year.

"My personal attitude toward Negro singers," said Mr. Bing, "has already been demonstrated when in 1947 I invited Mr. Todd Duncan to give a recital at my first Edinburgh Festival." (Mr. Bing is honorary artistic director of the Edinburgh Music Festival). "As far as the Metropolitan Opera is concerned, I can only repeat that I shall be happy to engage Negro singers if I find the right voice for the right part."

### THE RADIO AUDIENCE

which heard Mr. Bing's statement can help make the engagement of Negro singers in the Met a reality rather than a good intention. "The right voice for the right part," while it may stand as a statement of artistic principle, can all too easily be turned into an "escape clause" to excuse any failure to engage Negro singers. And, as Mr. Bing will surely agree, there is a qualitative difference between retaining a Negro artist for a solo recital, and retaining Negroes as a permanent part of the Met's opera company.

And what is the "right part"? Will it continue, for all time, to be the role of Othello and none other?

In its entire history, no Negro singer has ever sung a role in the Metropolitan Opera. If the radio audience writes Mr. Bing at the Metropolitan Opera, 49th St. and Broadway, New York City, congratulating him on his ex-

pressed willingness to retain Negro artists, and urging that he put his intentions into effect for the coming season, it will help break down another barrier against the Negro people.

SPORTS FANS who own TV sets and were disappointed by the recent Big Ten decision to bar the televising of football games, may be cheered by news of CBS' acquisition of exclusive TV rights to next season's Saturday night sports events in Madison Square Garden. This will include both professional and college basketball, and five top track meets including the Millrose Games and the A.A.U. championships.



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## Books:

Two New Novels  
By Negro Writers

**STRANGER AND ALONE** by J. Saunders Redding. Harcourt, Brace. New York. 308 pp. \$3.

By Robert Friedman

**STRANGER AND ALONE** is an angry, vigorous novel by the Negro author, J. Saunders Redding, of a man who, in the words of the subtitle, "betrayed his own people."

Shelton Howden is raised in a Southern orphanage. When we first meet him he is starting as a student at a small Negro college. Here white teachers "prove" that science holds their Negro students to be inferior. Eager, ambitious to succeed, Howden recoils from those of his fellow-students who denounce their subjugation, drinks in the counsel that it is possible to obtain both security and inner tranquility without bothering with the "race question."

Thereafter, Howden's estrangement from his own people grows apace. Employed on the railroad during summer recess, he takes refuge from the preoccupation of his fellow-workers with the issue of Negro liberation by an arrogant contempt for their lack of academic education.

He completes his own education for the role of selling Jimcrow to his own people under the tutelage of the cynical P. T. Winbush, who is both president of another Negro college and the instrument of the state's white ruling class for defeating equal rights movements.

As Winbush's protégé, Howden advances from instructor to the job of state supervisor of Negro schools. As the novel ends he is making his first major payment for this political plum by betraying to the state movement to win the opportunity to vote for the state's Negro citizens.

*Stranger and Alone* is a hard-hitting story of one aspect of the corruption which the Jimcrow system of white supremacy spreads. Redding's narrative is authentic and convincing.

The character of Winbush is presented with greater clarity than that of Howden, perhaps because the former has long since lost the possibility of change or growth and can thus be set down with exactitude in all the aspects of his betrayal. But if the complexity of Howden's development and personality is not as fully presented as the reader might wish, there is never any doubt as to the credibility of his actions as he follows the path of his mentor, Winbush.



**BEETLECREEK**, by William Demby. Rinehart Company, New York, 223 pp. \$2.50.

By Harold Cruse

**BEETLECREEK** presents a vague world of Negro and white characters whose portrayal by the Negro author, William Demby, reveals a deft hand and a good grasp of form, but with unmistakable signs of decay from the outset. This first novel is well-nigh stillborn. What real life that is felt through the pages comes like suppressed voices and thoughts of people who need to be heard, but are denied this right because their spokesman, William Demby, neither understands them nor really cares.

In *Beetlecreek*, West Virginia, a lone white man, Bill Trapp, an eccentric, lives cut off from whites and Negroes, misunderstood and rejected by all. His attempts at social contact are futile until he meets Johnny, a Negro youngster, recently from Pittsburgh. They form a stand-offish sort of association. Bill Trapp is later accused of subverting the morals of young girls and Johnny's boy gang puts *Beetlecreek* public sentiment into practice by burning down Bill Trapp's house, assigning Johnny to apply the torch.

In the background life in *Beetlecreek* is static with poorly related individuals whose characterizations are not well projected. They don't have the human attribute of knowing and feeling each other with any degree of real and genuine folksiness.

For a Negro to write such a book today reveals an "objectivity" that is associated with those who turn their backs on real fundamental problems of life to seek comfort in philosophies of isolation.

## Today's Film:

'Storm Within' New Cocteau  
Movie at 5th Ave. Playhouse

By Jose Yglesias

**JEAN COCTEAU's** *The Storm Within* (whose French title, *Les Parents Terribles*, is much more apt) is something of a technical feat. In it he has filmed a play, changing

• **THE STORM WITHIN.** Discina International release. Produced by Alexandre Mnouchkine and Francis Cosne. Written and directed by Jean Cocteau. With Jean Marais, Josette Day, Yvonne De Bray, Marcel Andre, Gabrielle Dorziat. At the Fifth Avenue Playhouse.

his scene only once, and so filled it with conflict, his camera fluid and sensitive to every movement and response of his characters, that it is as filmic as any western movie. This device has allowed him to observe in fine detail the cramped in lives and passions of his petit bourgeois characters.

His camera's eye dogs the footsteps of his five characters, follows them from room to room, leaps to their faces in tremendous close-ups, searching constantly for the effect of their unceasing talk on each other, always on the watch. The effect, as no doubt Cocteau intended, is that the spectator is forced to live in almost airless proximity to the characters. You suffocate within their narrow lives

and long as passionately as they to see the problem solved.

So sensitively do the characters vibrate that it almost serves to obscure the smallness of the action. The young man of the family, composed of the parents and an unmarried aunt, has fallen in love with a girl who is being kept by a middle-aged lover. It is with this explosive news that the movie begins. Living in a bric-a-brac filled home, in perpetual disorder and deshabille and intellectually declasse, the oldsters react nevertheless as any bourgeois family would.

The father wants to break the affair because he is the middle-aged lover unknown to the son. The mother because she hangs on to the son as the only good thing in her life. The aunt because she wants to satisfy her brother-in-law with whom she has always been in love. It is in this group that the ingenuous young hero must fight for his love, unaware of their intrigue, the devious emotions and the childish passions and selfishness.

It is with this situation that Cocteau traces with an expert hand the subtleties of motivation and desires. He is never clinical with his characters in the way the psychological writers are nowadays. Although the overall story follows a bourgeois ideological pattern—in which the young to attain adult-

hood kill off the old—the characters as they live through the situation are filled with concrete details of life, humorous and passionate, that gives them a sympathetic reality.

Cocteau's film, as well as the work of the five excellent actors, cannot be judged on the same level as that of the run of the mill movie. If Cocteau is unable to reach into the world and give the frenzied passions and ingrown life of his characters their proper significance, his portraits are sharp enough to be distasteful to the vulgarized and commercial world of the film distributors.

Like the Renoir film, *The Rules of the Game*, which preceded *The Storm Within* at the Fifth Avenue Playhouse, Cocteau's movie has been one of the movies known in France as the "cursed films." They are movies which the distributors tried to keep from the film public. The unenthusiastic response the Renoir film had here will no doubt be duplicated with the Cocteau movie, showing how far the corruption of taste has gone with critics who are unable to appreciate even the best of the bourgeois artists.

Thanks to N. D. for a dollar on The Worker Fund Drive. To L. L. for \$2. Mail that letter with money which I'm sure you've already addressed to this department.

## The Art Galleries:

New Exhibits by Rattner,  
Kuniyoshi, Harriton, Others

By Charles Corwin

**ABRAHAM RATTNER**, currently being shown at the Rosenberg Galleries (16 E. 57 St.) is one of the darlings of the enthusiasts for abstract arrangements of design and color. His references to subject are carefully subordinated to formal play. But, we suggest, though it is as formal as fashion dictates, it is not very amusing play.

Those familiar with the style which established his fame will find nothing new in his paintings of 1949-50. They show the same rhythmic fervor, animation of form and intensity of color. The spirit of Rouault and the inventions of Picasso have moved him to imitation, but, as in *Masks—Composition*, *Church in the Valley*, *Study for Figure Composition*, the Picasso-esque form is repetitive and the Rouault-esque spirit is diluted.

The titles of his paintings have sometimes implied an interest in humanity, but any such upsurge of feeling has been hastily suppressed to produce design images of men whose heads are grotesque masks, or girls who are identical spiritless manikins. Even dear old Don Quixote is conceived as a morbid, misshapen creature.

Rattner has created a recognizable style, a set formula, and now busies himself multiplying increasingly stereotyped examples of it.

**YASUO KUNIYOSHI**, whose latest paintings are on exhibit at the Downtown Gallery (32 E. 57 St.) long ago earned himself in assured place in American art. With very good taste, his sophisticated references to American folk art, Japanese prints, German Expressionists, and French Impressionists, helped prove to the 1920's that American art was no longer provincial. His subtle harmonies of taupe, puce, saffron, bistre, variations of gray, sensitized a whole generation of art students to the qualities of paint and texture. The people, and especially the objects, which drifted in and out of his Village studio were the subjects on which he exercised.

But times have changed, new

modes dominates 57th Street, and the pressures of the market are strong. Also, of course, events themselves move rapidly and influence a painter's approach. The pictures in the current exhibition are Kuniyoshi's answer to this double dilemma. On the one hand, the overwhelming fad of the moment for increased abstraction has led Kuniyoshi to make his forms flatter, more regular and angular, and brighter in color pattern. On the other hand, whole realms of meaning from Freud to Marx have made it impossible for him to restrict himself to a simple delight in the pleasures of vision. The paintings in this show have become therefore not only more abstract, but also more Freudian, more expressionist, sometimes more concerned with social themes, but less Kuniyoshi. His aims are not just complex; they are contradictory. One hopes that this is only a temporary muddle in the career of a fine technician whose deep sympathy for people should lead him to deepen the meaning of his earlier manner rather than cast it aside.

**THE LOUIS CARRE** Gallery (712 Fifth Ave.) is currently presenting a group exhibit of the paintings of Bazaine, Esteve, Hartung, Lansky, Lapicque and Stael, deceptively called "Advancing French Art." It is to be hoped that the militant progressive artists of France are engaged in something more worthy than the prismatic acrobatics shown in this exhibition. In any case, there is nothing new in the "semi-figurative" or "abstract-expressionist" styles, nor in the concept of pure art. These artists are not advancing; they are standing stock still.

**NEW PAINTINGS** by Abraham Harriton will be exhibited at the ACA Gallery (62 E. 57 St.) through April 23. He has painted a variety of landscape views seen under many different atmospheric conditions. There are picnics at sunset, twilight rendezvous, storms and moonlight and sentiment. In several cases, Harriton's admiration of Cezanne becomes too obvious,

as in *Tree Near a Field*, while the *Patriarch with Tallith* betrays a too-clear reflection of El Greco. For the most part, his pictures are placid pastorals.

Polish Film on  
Warsaw Ghetto  
Uprising Opens Apr. 25

*Border Street*, prize-winning Polish film which tells the story of the Warsaw Ghetto Uprising will have its American premiere at the Little Cinemet Theatre on Tuesday, April 25, instead of Wednesday, April 26, as previously announced.

Quentin Reynolds has written a foreword for the film, which was awarded the prize of the Ministers' Council at the Venice International Film Festival of 1948.

The film will open coincident with the seventh anniversary of the ghetto uprising which began April 19, 1943, and continued into May.

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## DODGERS FACE ARCH FLAG RIVALS TONIGHT

There'll be a lot of ears in Brooklyn glued to the radio tonight as the Dodgers go out to Boston to pay the new season's greetings to the red-hot Braves who figure to give the Brooks most trouble in the Flatbushers' quest for another National League flag. Rained out of a possible sweep over the already hapless-looking Giants at Ebbets Field yesterday, the Dodgers figure to send big Don Newcombe out in search of his first win of the year tonight. Newk, shelled out in the second inning of the season's opener against Philadelphia last Tuesday, will have had almost six days of rest for the shoulder that pained him toward the tail-end of the spring training season.

## Failure of Yankee Hill Worries Casey

Casey Stengel is both glad and sad. Glad because he's had a guy named Joe Page to bail him out the first week of the season, and sad because he had to call on Fireman Joe so often.

It's no news that the Yankee pilot is worried over the inability of five straight starters to finish a game. Meaning Reynolds, Raschi, Lopat, Byrne and Porterfield. And but for Page and the big Yankee bats, the Bronxites would not be owning a 3-2 mark for the first week's pay as they closed out the week with a day of rest yesterday when the rains forced a washout of the scheduled tilt with the Senators.

Casey is hoping his pitching picks up at Philadelphia today where the Yanks open a two-game invasion against the Athletics. Page is wonderful, but even Stengel is worried about what might happen to Joe's effectiveness if he has to be called on almost every day in the week. A hint was gleaned Saturday afternoon when Page, called on to appear in his fourth relief role in five games, just couldn't pull it out of the fire in the 10th inning.

But Page, the happy-go-lucky artist, yesterday scoffed at the possibility his arm might become unhinged with an unreasonable amount of emergency work.

"I feel great," he said. Especially after those two good workout I had up in Boston. That gave me the kind of a start I really wanted."

Then the big hero of the Yankees' pennant and world series conquest of 1949 gave out with a little "trade secret."

"I've got the best job in baseball," he said. "There's nothing in the world I get a bigger kick out of than being able to come in from the bull pen and stop a rally. Of course I'm not always able to do it and it sure won't be any fun any more if I can't stop 'em. But there is a terrific satisfaction in doing a good relief job. Especially if the other guys are the Red Sox." Page said his arm never had felt better even though he had worked hard in subduing the Red Sox in two out of the three games played up in Boston. Then come on to stop Washington in the opener here. Somebody suggested that if he kept up that pace he would wind up in many more than 100 ball games for the season.

"I think I could do it," he said. Anyway I could sure give it a hell of a try."

Last year Page set a Yankee club record by appearing in 80 games, winning 13 and saving at least twice that many more for tiring pitching mates.

**OF THINGS TO COME,** a column by John Pittman, associate editor of The Worker, appears Tuesdays and Thursdays in the Daily Worker.

## SCORES

### NATIONAL LEAGUE

(1st game)  
Philadelphia 200 000 010-3 6 1  
Boston 020 101 00x-4 9 1  
Donnelly, Miller (7) and Lopata; Sain (2-0) and Crandall. Losing pitcher, Donnelly (0-1). Home run—Emmis (1st).

(2nd game)  
Phila. 200 110 110-6 10 1  
Boston 020 030 000-5 7 0  
Roberts, Konstanty (7) and Silvestri, Lopata (7); Antonelli, Roy (1), Hogue (7) and Crandall. Winning pitcher, Konstanty (1-0). Losing pitcher, Hogue (0-1). Home run—Gordon (3rd).

Cincinnati 000 102 000-3 8 1  
Pittsburgh 110 012 00x-5 5 0  
Smith, Blackwell (6), Fox (7) and Pramesa; Chambers (2-0) and McCullough. Losing pitcher—Smith (0-1). Home runs—Pramesa (1st), Westlake (4th).

New York at Brooklyn, postponed, rain.  
St. Louis at Chicago, postponed, rain.

### AMERICAN LEAGUE

(1st game)  
Boston 100 010 110-4 12 1  
Philadelphia 011 041 02x-9 13 0  
Dobson, Mueller (7), Schanz (8) and Tebbetts, Scherbarth (7), Batts (8); Shantz, Hopper (7) and Guerra. Winning pitcher, Shantz (1-0). Losing pitcher, Dobson (1-1). Home run—Fain (2nd).

(2nd game called end of sixth inning darkness)

In tomorrow's windup to the two-game set, Burt Shotton plans to start either Clarence Podbeilan, who put the Dodgers in, winning stride last Wednesday, or perhaps Rex Barney, who provided a few good innings of wild relief in last week's opener.

**MEANTIME THE GIANTS** return to the Polo Grounds and play host to the peppy Phils in the opener of a two-game series this afternoon. It's been a sad start for the New Yorkers, who have yet to win their first game of the young campaign.

It was the old story of no pitching as the Polo Grounders went down to successive defeats at the hands of the Braves and Dodgers. Larry Jansen will probably be disgruntled Durocher's hope for the initial win today. The Giant ace didn't have it in the opener at Coogan's Bluff last Tuesday. Perhaps today will dawn somewhat brighter for worried Giant fans."

Boston 400 134-12 14 2  
Philadelphia 010 100-2 6 4  
Parnell (1-0) and Batts; Wyse, McCrab (5), Byrd (6) and Tipton. Losing pitcher, Wyse (1-1). Home run, Wellman (1st).

Cleveland 000 051 102-9 10 1  
St. Louis 300 033 000-6 5 3  
Lemon (1-0) and Hegan; Albrecht, Kretlow (5), Raney (5), Ferrick (7) and Lollar. Losing pitcher—Raney (0-1). Home runs—Wood (2-1st and 2nd).

Chicago 000 203 000-5 8 0  
Detroit 000 040 000-4 9 2  
Kuzava, Pierce (5) and Malone; Hutchinson, White (6), Calvert (9) and Swift, Robinson (7), Ginsberg (9). Winning pitcher, Pierce (1-0), losing pitcher, Hutchinson (0-1).

Washington at New York, postponed, rain.

## FINE ILLINOIS ABC \$2500

wedge was gained in the growing fight against discrimination in bowling when Superior Court Justice John B. Sbarbaro found the American Bowling Congress guilty of having "abused" its franchise through by-laws banning all but "male whites only" from its organization. The ABC was fined \$2,500 over the weekend, after Sbarbaro changed his mind about revoking the ABC charter when Congress lawyers promised the ABC convention at Columbus, Ohio in two weeks would give serious consideration to ending the discriminatory clause from its constitution.

(There have been previous "promises" by the ABC to remove the lilywhite ruling at past national conventions. Whether or not an unequivocal end of the Hitler-like ban is forced will depend largely upon the militant action of all progressive organizations who should make their voices heard at the convention in the form of delegations, picket lines and petitions.)

Sbarbaro said in his decision that the ABC had set up a "definite policy" of discrimination by limit-

ing membership to white male members.

Actions similar to the one here have been lodged against the ABC in Minnesota and in Wisconsin. National headquarters of the ABC are in Milwaukee.

Sbarbaro said that "every American, as well as the court, who believes in good sportsmanship" must find it "abhorrent" to find an organization which claims representation of the nation's bowlers "violating its duty to carry out its trust by adopting by-laws abhorrent to good sportsmanship."

When Sbarbaro announced intention of ordering the Illinois charter of the ABC revoked, Thompson objected that it would "penalize" 1,500,000 Americans who bore "no malice" in the case. Sbarbaro agreed that there seemed no malicious intent on the part of members and agreed to give the ABC leadership an opportunity to change its by-laws.

He refused, however, to reduce the amount of the fine to a "token" payment as proposed by defense attorneys.

## In This Corner...

By Bill Mardo

### Yankee Platoon, Bankhead, Giants, etc. . . .

**NOTHING LIKE HANGING** out the Monday wash on a rainy Sunday. (Out-of-town readers should understand it's wet in New York today. Good for the administration-caused water shortage, but bad for baseball fans.) But let's get on with the odds, ends, and sundry short shots. . . . Casey Stengel undoubtedly owns the best two-platoon outfield in the majors. I understand they let No. 5 in center hit against all types of pitching, but let's take another peek at the guys who alternate at flanking big Joe D. Nothing sacrificed either offensively or defensively. Mapes and Bauer can both belt an awfully hard ball and they also own two of the best arms in the league. Lindell and Woodling, the other set of alternates, likewise leave little to be desired at the plate or on the relieving end.

Now I mention this only as a statement of fact, but let it be plainly understood I'm still not sold on some manager's all too mechanical application of the two-platoon system which seems here to stay. You take Brooklyn, for example. I see no reason for Burt Shotton to field any outfield trio day in and day out other than Hermanski, Snider and Furillo. Yet we know Shotton shuttles his outfield like a nervous chessman. It took him three years to finally learn Furillo wasn't to be tampered with. How much longer will he horse around with Hermanski and the Duke of Snider? Gene showed himself to be one of the most improved guys in the game last year, and all Snider needs to develop into one of the NL's brightest lights is the confidence that comes of being in that lineup every day in the week.

**DAN BANKHEAD LOOKED** very impressive in spots against the Giants Saturday. Dodger coach Clyde Sukeforth told me before the game Dan's control had improved tremendously. It's a fact. It has. If Jim Russell hadn't misjudged Lockman's short fly to center in the first frame (the scorers kindly called it a hit) Bankhead might've emerged from the inning with less hurt than a two-run deficit. But the young Negro righthander settled down in fine style until the fourth when Westrum and Handsome Jack Kramer stepped into his serves with authority. The thing to bear in mind about Bankhead, however, is that most of the stuff he threw was cutting a piece of the plate and there were precious few fat pitches. I think he's going to become a winner whether he sticks with Brooklyn or goes to Philadelphia, as Montague St. whispers intimate. . . .

Giant fans had best accept the sad news right now. This won't be the year, lads and lassies. With the exception of wise old Kramer (whom, I think, the Red Sox will live to regret having let go) it's the same old Giant pitching staff. Under even greater handicap this year because they no longer have that Murderer's Row with which to beat down the opposition despite the poorly pitched games. I'm beginning to wonder whether I wasn't too optimistic in picking New York for fifth. . . .

I liked that little tete a tete Pee Wee Reese had with one middle-aged Dodger roofer leaning across the roof of the dugout to get the little Kentuckian's John Hancock just before the Dodger-Giant series started Friday afternoon.

"Pee Wee," the lady said, shaking a warning finger at him, "I want you to hit two homeruns for me today. Remember, those guys are going to be mad today because of what Gordon did to them!"

"Two homeruns?" Reese chuckled politely. "Ma'm, I'll be content if we just win the game!" The lady softened perceptibly as Reese handed her back the autographed scorecard, but she added: "Well, anyway you be careful out there today, son."

**FUND DRIVE DEPT:** Thanks to Fred Briehl for \$5, and the other \$1 note which he claims comes from Lobo. I was wondering what was holding up the pup's contribution to the column. Listen, that's no joke. I received \$2 from some fellow not because he's so much of a sports page fan but simply because his dog met Lobo at the Briehl farm last summer. I'll take the dough for whatever reason. George Morris is so far ahead now I'll need radar to locate him unless more of you dog lovers come through with the moolah. And thanks too, for the \$2 from the Albany YPA chairman. Come come. Let's see some of those \$25 and \$50's. All dough sent to this column personally is a vote of confidence for the sports page, remember. You do like it, don't you?

## Stop the Runaround, NBA Warns Champs

**WASHINGTON, April 23 (UP).—**The National Boxing Association warned ring champions in all divisions today to stop scheduling title matches with second-rate opposition and start giving logical contenders a shot at their crowns.

The warning came at a two-day, closed-door conference here of the NBA Executive Committee.

The 20-man committee announced: "The NBA will insist upon title defenses by champions against logical contenders and that champions will not be allowed to select mediocre opposition for title bouts."

In a move to safeguard boxers,

the NBA ordered all member states to adopt a new type safety glove with padding that will neither shrink nor break. But the Committee deferred action on another safety device—the lightweight head harness used in intercollegiate boxing.

It predicted the helmet-like device eventually would be adopted. The NBA also called for repeal of the 20 percent Federal tax on prize fight tickets.